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Matt Paque Tronox LLC PO BOX 268859 Oklahoma City, OK 73134

Re: Tronox LLC (TRX) NDEP Facility ID #H-000539 Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) Response to: Acceptable Sources of Imported Backfill, Tronox LLC, Henderson, Nevada Dated: September 23, 2010

Dear Mr. Paque,

The NDEP acknowledges the submittal of the above-referenced Deliverable. The approach appears to be reasonable and can be incorporated into the final risk assessment(s) as appropriate. Additionally, the following is provided for further clarification if TRX elects not to backfill an excavation area back to pre-excavation grades:

- If excavation that will not be backfilled is less than or equal to 5 feet below ground surface (fbgs), TRX may use the current 10 fbgs data to represent the new 0 − 10 fbgs range.
- Excavations greater than 5 fbgs either need to be backfilled to pre-excavation grades or a post-excavation 10 fbgs sample must be collected and used in the risk assessment.

Please contact the undersigned with any questions at sharbour@ndep.nv.gov or 775-687-9332.

Sincerely

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