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DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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February 4, 2013

Jay A. Steinberg Nevada Environmental Response Trust 35 East Wacker Drive, Suite 1550 Chicago, IL 60601

Re: Tronox LLC (TRX) Facility Nevada Environmental Response Trust (Trust) Property NDEP Facility ID #H-000539 Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) Response to: AP-5 Ponds Solids Characterization and Disposal Work Plan, Nevada Environmental Response Trust Site, Henderson, NV Dated: September, 2012

Dear Mr. Steinberg,

The NDEP has received and reviewed the Trust's above-identified Deliverable and finds that the document is acceptable with the following comments noted for the Administrative Record:

- 1. Background, Paragraph 3, page 2, please provide the details how the perchlorate removed from AP-5 (1,176 tons) was calculated.
- 2. Sample Collection, page 2, during characterization sample collection, NERT should determine whether any free liquid is remaining in the pond solids and plan to remove as necessary.
- 3. Sample Collection, paragraph 6, page 2, besides taking samples based on the volume of the residual solids, the spatial distribution on the sampling location also be considered as shown on the Figure 3.

Please include the implementation of the proposed activities in the overall site schedule. Please contact the undersigned with any questions at wdong@ndep.nv.gov or 702-486-2850 x252.

Sincerely,

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