

Department of Conservation & Natural Resources

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January 2, 2019

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Re: Tronox LLC (TRX) Facility

Nevada Environmental Response Trust (Trust) Property

NDEP Facility ID #H-000539

Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) Response to: *Data Validation* Summary Report for the Vacuum Enhanced Recovery Treatability Study Supplemental Sampling, Revision 0

Dated: December 12, 2018

Dear Mr. Steinberg,

The NDEP has received and reviewed the Trust's above-identified Deliverable and provides comments in Attachment A. A revised Deliverable should be submitted by 03/01/2019 based on the comments found in Attachment A. The Trust should additionally provide an annotated response-to-comments letter as part of the revised Deliverable.

Please contact the undersigned with any questions at wdong@ndep.nv.gov or 702-486-2850 x252.

Sincerely,

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Attachment A

DVSR Review:

- 1. Section 2.3, holding time qualification: Text in this section indicates that samples analyzed past their holding time were qualified as per the National Functional Guidelines (NFG). The qualification recommendations of the current NFG (qualification of result past holding time) are inconsistent with those of the NDEP (qualification of results only once they are past 2× the holding time). Please confirm that results are qualified as per NDEP guidance and update the text in this section to indicate this.
- 2. Section 3.5, completeness: As completeness assesses the amount of valid data, it seems this section should appear after all the sections in which data may be rejected have been presented. Recommend moving this section after the discussion of sensitivity.

EDD Review

1. In each of the EDDs for NERT VER Treatability and NERT VER Treatability Supplemental, there is a table of field test results. These results will be uploaded to the database with the fields that are provided in the table "field_tests". In addition, the detect_flag_fod and detect_flag_ra will be populated with "D" and the validation flag will be entered as "F".