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Subject: Response to Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) Response to: *TRX Letter RE: Status of Excavation Plan for Phase B Soil Remediation of RZ-E, Tronox Facility, Henderson, Nevada dated July 13, 2010*, dated October 13, 2010
Tronox Facility, Henderson, Nevada

Dear Ms. Harbour:

Northgate Environmental Management, Inc (Northgate) is sending this response to NDEP's October 13 correspondence, which asked for specific information regarding RZ-E. Our response follows the numbering of your information request.

1. *Date the sampling for refining the width of excavation was collected.*

The sampling was conducted between August 25th and August 30th. Samples were analyzed in a staged manner. For example, samples collected closest to the edge of the Beta ditch were analyzed first. If samples exceeded comparison criteria, samples in the next boring of the transect were analyzed.

2. *Date TRX expects the data to be received from the laboratory.*

The last of the transect data were received from the laboratory on October 15th.

3. *Date for the submittal of a DVSR for the collected data.*

It is intended that step-out data for all remediation zones be validated, compiled, and reported in one DVSR. It is anticipated that the submittal date of this DVSR will be approximately eight weeks after collection of the last step-out sample.

4. *Proposed impacts to the remediation schedule due to the proposed delay in submittal of the Excavation Plan.*

There is no proposed schedule impact to the remediation of RZ-E based on the delayed submittal of the Excavation Plan.

Please let us know if you have any questions on this matter.

Sincerely,
Northgate Environmental Management, Inc.



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