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October 14, 2005

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Mr. Brian Rakvica, P.E. Nevada Division of Environmental Protection 1771 East Flamingo Road, Suite 121-A Las Vegas, Nevada 89119

Dear Mr. Rakvica:

Subject: Tronox LLC ECA Quarterly Report - Third Quarter 2005

Pursuant to Section XIII of the Consent Agreement, signed September 5, 1996, between Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) and Tronox LLC (Tronox), formerly Kerr-McGee Chemical LLC (Kerr-McGee), formerly Kerr-McGee Chemical Corporation, submits the following quarterly status report for the Henderson facility's Environmental Conditions Assessment (ECA).

Activities Conducted, 7-1-05 to 9-30-05

Conceptual Site Model:

- August 30 Kerr-McGee submits responses to NDEP May 6, 2005 comments on the facility's Conceptual Site Model (CSM).
- September 6 NDEP provides comments on Kerr McGee's August 30, 2005 responses to the CSM comments. Tronox to respond by October 14, 2005.

Upgradient Investigation Work Plan:

- July 22 Kerr-McGee submits response to NDEP comments on the Upgradient Investigation Work Plan (UIWP) (UIWP submitted to NDEP on March 20, 2005).
- July 28 NDEP provides comments on Kerr-McGee's July 22, 2005 responses to NDEP earlier comments on UIWP.

Data Usability Assessment:

• July 28 – NDEP provides comments to the *Data Usability Assessment*, but does not require response until future ECA field work and data collection is underway.

Source Area Evaluation

- September 30 Kerr-McGee submits a conceptual approach for a Source Area Evaluation.
- October 3 NDEP concurs with Kerr-McGee's conceptual approach to the Source Area Evaluation, with comments.

Other

July 12 – NDEP and Kerr-McGee (with ENSR via telephone) meet to discuss the ECA activities' status.

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- July 27 Kerr-McGee submits Semi-Annual Performance Report Chromium Mitigation Program, January to June 2005 (Semi-Annual Report).
- July 28, 2005 NDEP provides Kerr-McGee comments on the July 27, 2005 Semi-Annual Report.
- August 15 NDEP and Kerr-McGee (with ENSR) meet to discuss the ECA activities' status.
- September 28 NDEP and Kerr-McGee (with ENSR via telephone) meet to discuss the ECA activities' status.

Please note that attached is Tronox's ECA "*Deliverable Schedule*" which tracks recent activities as well as lists expectations for future activities. Feel free to call me at (702) 651-2234, if you have any questions. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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Susan M. Crowley <sup>()</sup> Staff Environmental Specialist

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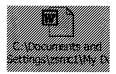
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## **ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS ASSESSMENT - DELIVERABLE SCHEDULE**

### Tronox LLC - Henderson, Nevada Revised: October 14, 2005

| Deliverable  | Date  |
|--|---|
| Project Organizational Chart / Resumes                                       | May 15, 2004 – Submitted  |
| * Revision 1: Response to NDEP Comments of June11, 2004                      | July 6, 2004 – Approved July 9-, 2004   |
| * Revision 2: Inclusion of Keith Bailey, Kerr-McGee, on project team.        | October 30, 2005 – Pending  |
| Site-Related Chemical List (Report)  | June 15, 2004 – Submitted   |
| * Revision 1: Response to NDEP Comments of June 21, 2004                     | July 22, 2004 – Submitted   |
| * Revision 2: Response to NDEP Comments of August 5, 2004                    | September 27, 2004 – Submitted  |
| * Revision 3: Response to NDEP Comments of September 29, 2004                | October 26, 2004 – Approved October 27, 2004  |
| Conceptual Site Model  | February 28, 2005 – Submitted   |
| * KM Response to NDEP May 6, 2005 Comments                                   | August 31, 2005 – Submitted   |
| * KM Response to NDEP September 6, 2005 comments                             | October 14, 2005 – Submitted  |
| Data Quality Objectives  | March 30, 2005 – Delayed until CSM comments and responses are finalized.                    |
| Data Usability Evaluation (including review of Supplemental Phase II Report) | June 17, 2005 – Submitted   |
| * KM response to NDEP July 28, 2005 comments                                 | Address in revised Data Usability Evaluation due after Source Area Evaluation is conducted. |
| Source Area Evaluation (SAE)   | September 30, 2005 – Conceptual approach submitted.   |
| * SAE Phase A Work Plan  | October 21, 2005 – Schedule for Phase A Work Plan due to NDEP.                              |
| BACKGROUND   | STUDY   |
| Background Study Work Plan   | March 30, 2005 – Submitted  |
| * KM Response to NDEP May 6, 2005 Comments                                   | July 22, 2005 Submitted   |
| * KM response to NDEP July 28, 2005 Comments                                 | Address in revised workplan   |
| * Upgradient Investigation Workplan  | September 30, 2005 – Submitted – RTC pending  |
| Upgradient Investigation Field Sampling                                      | 120 days following NDEP approval of Work Plan   |
| Upgradient Investigation Report  | 120 days following field sampling completion  |
| PERIODIC MONITORING AND REPORTING  |   |
| ECA Phase II Status Report (Quarterly)                                       | January 15 ; April 15; July 15 and October 15   |
| Perchlorate Remediation Performance Report (Quarterly)                       | January 28; April 15; July 28 and October 28  |
| Chromium Remediation Performance Report (Semi-Annually)                      | January 28; July 28   |



## Letter of Transmittal

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#### ATTENTION:

DATE:

October 14, 2005

Brian Rakvica, NDEP Jeff Johnson, NDEP Susan Crowley, Kerr-McGee Public Repository (co Susan Crowley) Keith Bailey, Kerr-McGee

#### **PROJECT REFERENCE:**

# PROJECT NUMBER:

04020-023

Kerr-McGee Chemical LLC, Henderson

#### WE ARE SENDING YOU THE FOLLOWING:

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1 Set of errata sheets and a revised CD for Upgradient Investigation Workplan, Kerr-McGee Facility, Henderson, Nevada

#### **REMARKS:**

Enclosed for your information and or files are the errata sheets and revised CD for the report referenced above. Based on discussions with NDEP pages 3-3, 3-4, 4-5, 4-6, 4-11, 6-1 and 6-2 of the text have been modified. Tables 2, 3, and 4 have also been modified; Table 6 was inadvertently omitted from the previous version of the report. Please note that these corrections do not address all of the issues raised on the NDEP October 6, 2005 comments letter. Remaining outstanding issues will be addressed in a separate submittal.

Sincerely,

Dave Gerry and Sally Bilodeau

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