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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 - Second Quarter 2007

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

Activities Conducted, 04-01-07 to 06-30-07

Conceptual Site Model:

CSM remains unchanged until additional data justifies revisions

Upgradient Investigation Results:

 March 23 – NDEP transmits comments to Tronox (no response date specified). Tronox plans to complete response to comments after submitting the Phase A Report.

Phase A - Source Area Investigation

- April June Data analyses and validation are complete. Report preparations are underway.
- April 5 Tronox and ENSR met with NDEP to discuss findings of the Phase A Source Area Investigation, and to discuss proposed approaches to the Phase B scope of work. Based on risk evaluation a proposed list of SRCs to carry forward into the Phase B investigation are proposed and under discussion. Further, ENSR and Tronox discussed methods of identifying comparison levels for chemicals carried into the Phase B investigation, and procedures for evaluating the adequacy of characterization. In addition, Tronox agreed to resample 21 monitoring wells to evaluate potential analytical bias due to turbidity in comparative sampling methods.
- May 1 Submitted Workplan for sampling the 21 monitoring wells to NDEP.
- May 2 May11 ENSR conducts field work to re-sample 21 monitoring wells.
- May 8 Telecon with NDEP
- May 30 Tronox submits validated Phase A data, data validation memos and DVSRs to NDEP
- June 6 Telecon with NDEP

QAPP and SOPs:

 April - June – Project-wide QAPP is in preparation, as well as Tronox-specific SOPs based on NDEPapproved BRC SOPs.

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Community Involvement Plan

• April 2 - Tronox responds to comments and submits a revised Community Involvement Plan (CIP) to NDEP.

Groundwater Capture Evaluation Work Plan

- May 30 Submit Groundwater Capture Evaluation Work Plan as part of the Response to NDEP Comments on the Tronox Semi-annual Performance Report dated February 28, 2007.
- June 26 NDEP submits to Tronox comments on the Groundwater Capture Evaluation Work Plan, and requests that responses be submitted by July 31, 2007.

Other

- April 15 Tronox issued 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2007 ECA Status Report to NDEP.
- May 29 Tronox submits 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2007 Quarterly Performance Report Perchlorate Recovery System to NDEP.
- June Tronox begins assembly of the 2007 Annual Performance Report for Chromium and Perchlorate.
- June 21 ENSR provides relational database of Phase A data in Access format to Tronox

Please note that the Tronox ECA "*Deliverable Schedule*" is attached. Feel free to call me at (702) 651-2234, if you have any questions. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Susan M. Crowley Staff Environmental Specialist

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Attachment: ECA Deliverable Schedule

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## ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS ASSESSMENT - DELIVERABLE SCHEDULE Tronox LLC - Henderson, Nevada Revised: July 13, 2007

Deliverable	Date
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
	Further revisions will be completed as needed following additional data collection activities
Source Area Evaluation (SAE)	September 30, 2005 - Conceptual approach submitted.
* Phase A Work Plan	October 3, 2005 – NDEP approved conceptual approach October 21, 2005 – Workplan schedule submitted.
	February 28, 2006 - Workplan submitted October 2, 2006 – Revised Workplan Submitted
* Phase A - Source Area Investigation	November 1 to December 8, 2006 - Conducted field
	work. May – Resampled 21 Phase A monitoring wells.
* Phase A - Source Area Investigation Report	August-September 2007
* Phase B – Work Plan	August-September 2007 (to be incorporated with Phase A Report)
* Phase B – Field Work	Late 2007
* Phase B - Risk Assessment	Mid-year 2008
Upgradient Investigation (formerly termed the Background Study)	
* Background Study Workplan	March 30, 2005 – Submitted
* Tronox Response to NDEP May 6, 2005 Comments	July 22, 2005 – Submitted
* Tronox Response to NDEP July 28, 2005 Comments and Submits	September 30, 2005 – Submitted
Upgradient Investigation Workplan (revised Background Study Workplan)	October 4, 2005 errata sheets submitted
* Upgradient Investigation Workplan Addendum	February 28, 2006 – Submitted.
* Upgradient Investigation Field Work	March 13 – 24, 2006 – Conducted Field Work
* Upgradient Investigation Report	October 30, 2006 – Submitted to NDEP.
* Tronox Response to NDEP March 23, 2007 Comments	TBD (2007)
Quality Assurance Project Plan and	September 30, 2006 – Submitted
Standard Operating Procedures	September 30, 2006 - Submitted
PERIODIC MONITORING A	ND REPORTING
ECA Phase II Status Report (Quarterly)	July 15; October 15, 2007
Annual Combined Perchlorate and Chromium Remediation Performance Report	August 29, 2007
Quarterly Perchlorate Remediation Performance Data Submittal	March 1, May 30, and November 30, 2007