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Ms. Shannon Harbour Nevada Division of Environmental Protection 2030 East Flamingo Road, Suite 230 Las Vegas, NV 89119

Re: Modification of Tronox Schedule for Parcel C Remediation

Dear Ms. Harbour,

As discussed in the weekly Tronox project technical call this morning, Tronox seeks to modify the schedule for completing remediation of the portion of Parcel C which is under the BMI haul road.

In his letter dated, January 7, 2010, Brian Rakvica requires that excavation of Parcels C, D, F, G and H along with confirmation sampling be completed by March 26, 2010. Tronox has requested bids for excavation and disposal of soil as specified in the NDEP-approved Work Plan (attached). We expect to initiate excavation work during the week of March 15, 2010 and hope to complete most of the effort by the March 26 deadline.

The work plan, however, calls for excavation of the polygon surrounding boring TSB-CJ-03 (see Figure 2 in the attachment). Most of that polygon lies beneath the BMI haul road. Rather than disrupting the BMI project by removing then replacing part of the haul road, Tronox proposes to leave the buried portion of the polygon in place until BMI completes their work and removes the haul road. In removing the roadway, BMI is likely to remediate any asbestos contamination in the polygon. Tronox will then take a confirmation sample as required in the Work Plan.

Similarly, if BMI "clean soil" piles preclude access to portions of the excavation polygons in Parcel C, Tronox proposes to delay remediation of those polygons until BMI can complete removal of the soil piles.

If you have questions regarding this letter, please give me a call at (405) 775-5443.

Sincerely.

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