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November 15, 2010

Shannon Harbour, P.E. Nevada Division of Environmental Protection 901 South Stewart Street Carson City, Nevada 89701

Subject: Remediation Status RZ-D

Tronox Facility, Henderson, Nevada

Dear Ms. Harbour:

We are writing to give you a status update on the RZ-D Excavation Activities. Although we anticipated complete removal of RZ-D by November 15th, not all soil has been removed. We have successfully excavated nearly 90% of the soil from the RZ-D area: 220,000 cubic yards have been excavated from RZ-D; 20,000 cubic yards are stockpiled to be removed immediately. Only 30,000 cubic yards remain to be excavated; those soils remain in the areas of the Veolia access gate and in the northwest portion of the site. In the area of the Veolia access gate, 15,000 cubic yards require additional removal activities. In the area of the northwest portion of the site, 15,000 cubic yards continue to be excavated adjacent to the GW-11 pond berm. We anticipate additional removal activities will be completed by November 22.

Thank you for your patience as we continue to make progress on Site remediation.

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

Sincerely,

Northgate Environmental Management, Inc.

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