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RE: AP-5 Pond Phase II Project Implementation, Basis of Design Update Nevada Environmental Response Trust Henderson, Nevada

Dear Mr. Dong:

The Nevada Environmental Response Trust (NERT) is pleased to present the AP-5 Pond Phase II Project Implementation, Basis of Design Update for Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) review. This document provides a summary of the changes to the original design previously approved by NDEP on March 24, 2015. This document is being submitted for informational purposes as implementation of the modified design is currently well underway. Based on the current progress NERT expects to have the material in the AP-5 Pond transferred to the new above ground storage tanks prior to December 31, 2016.

As you are aware, NERT is currently evaluating the use of alternate treatment technologies to treat the water generated from the washing process. If implemented, this would be a modification of the procedures described in Sections 4.2 and 4.3 of the above referenced document. The Trust will be providing its recommendation on this matter in the coming weeks. NERT has confirmed with NDEP, Bureau of Water Pollution Control that the new above ground storage tanks will be part of the Permitted Treatment Works and regulated under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit. NERT has provided information regarding the new above ground storage tanks in its NPDES renewal permit application and will be incorporated in the new NPDES permit expected to be issued before November 2016.

Appendix C of the enclosed document provides an updated budget to implement the AP-5 project which is in excess of the approved 2016 NERT budget. Due to project modifications necessitated by a Tetra Tech process hazard analysis (PHA), this was anticipated by NERT. A budget amendment request will be provided under separate cover inclusive of additional costs related to the dismantling and disposal of legacy infrastructure currently present in the immediate pond area that was used for prior flushing activities. Please note that a budget for the treatment of the water (whether by Envirogen Technologies, Inc. or a separate treatment system) will integral to the 2017 Trust budget as no treatment costs will be incurred in 2016.

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If you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter, feel to contact me at (702) 960-4309 or at steve.clough@nert-trust.com.

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