



**UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
REGION IX**

**Underground Storage Tanks Program Office
75 Hawthorne Street (WST-8)
San Francisco, CA 94105**

October 10, 2000

**REFER TO WST-8
AND SITE #NAV-290, 325, 357
Certified Mail: P 104 937 932**

Mr. Frank Jishie, Engineer
Division of Economic Development
The Navajo Nation
P. O. Box 663
Window Rock, AZ 86515

Dear Mr. Jishie:

This correspondence refers to the site assessment reports, dated January 1999 and April 2000, for two abandoned service stations on land of the Navajo Nation. These former service station sites are as follows:

- * Chuska Trading Post, Tohatchi, New Mexico (NAV-325)
- * Morgan Service Station, Kinlichee, Arizona (NAV-357)

The information submitted has assisted EPA in assessing the status of these sites, where two underground storage tanks (USTs) were removed from the former Chuska Trading Post on November 16, 1998, and at the former Morgan Service Station, two USTs were removed on October 23, 1998.

Our review of the closure documents and analytical results for soil samples collected at the two UST sites indicates no hydrocarbon concentrations above appropriate EPA, Region IX or Navajo Nation EPA soil cleanup levels. These sites do not appear to pose a current threat to human health and the environment. Therefore, EPA is not requiring further action at this time.

If new USTs are installed at any of these sites, Tank Notification Form #7530-1 must be completed and sent to this office and the Navajo EPA within 30 days after startup of a new UST system.

Please call Walt Guggenheimer at (415) 744-2094, if you have questions or need more information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Lester Kaufman", written in black ink.

Lester Kaufman, Chief
Underground Storage Tanks Program Office

Enclosure

cc: Arlene Luther, Navajo Nation EPA
Dwayne Waseta, Navajo Nation HPD