

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION IX

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

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REFER TO WST-8 AND SITE #WMAT-008 Certified Mail: P 389 854 759

Mr. Benjamin H. Nuvamsa, Superintendent Bureau of Indian Affairs, Fort Apache Agency P. O. Box 560 Whiteriver, AZ 85941

Dear Mr. Nuvamsa:

This correspondence refers to the underground storage tank (UST) removal report prepared by the Verde Company for the removal of two USTs at the White River Airport located in Whiteriver, Arizona, on land of the White Mountain Apache Tribe.

Our review of the closure documents and analytical results for soil samples collected at the UST site indicates no hydrocarbon concentrations above appropriate EPA, Region IX or tribal soil cleanup levels.

The information submitted has assisted EPA in assessing the status of this site, where one 10,000-gallon UST and one 5,000-gallon UST were removed on December 23, 1999. This site does not appear to pose a current threat to human health and the environment. Therefore, EPA is not requiring further action at this time.

Sincerely,

Lester Kaufman, Chief/

Underground Storage Tanks Program Office

Enclosure

cc: Kirk Massey, White Mountain Apache Tribe EPO

Dennis Williams, Indian Health Service