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Ms. Arlene Luther, Director
Waste Regulatory Compliance Department
Navajo Nation Environmental Protection Agency
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Window Rock, AZ 86515

Subject: **Navajo Nation EPA led and Funded Tank Closure Reports**

Dear Ms. Luther:

EPA Region IX has reviewed eight underground storage tank (UST) removal reports for abandoned sites on lands of the Navajo Nation. These reports document the site assessment and removal activities of nineteen USTs at eight former UST sites, during calendar years 2004, 2005 and 2006. These site assessments were lead and funded by the Navajo Nation Environmental Protection Agency (NNEPA).

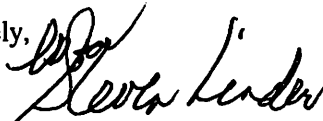
Based on a review of the below listed UST site assessment reports, EPA has determined that the closure of these sites meets both NNEPA and EPA requirements. Analytical data generated from these investigations reported no indication of petroleum contamination above both NNEPA and EPA regulatory limits in the soil excavated from beneath the UST's or the associated piping. In addition, after discussing our findings with the NNEPA, Mr. Henry Haven has concurred with EPA's assessments.

- NAV-164 Cross Canyon Trading Post, St Michael, AZ (9/13/2004)
- NAV-210 Wide Ruins Trading Post, Wide Ruins, AZ (7/5/2006)
- NAV-327 Tohatchi Trading Post, Tohatchi, NM (6/17/2004)
- NAV-330 Crystal Trading Post, Navajo, AZ ((8/24/2004)
- NAV 361 Chinle Hay Sales, Navajo, AZ (8/8/2005)
- NAV-363 Wood Springs Trading Post, Wood Springs, AZ (7/7/2005)
- NAV-408 Reid's Service Station, Ganado, AZ ((8/13/2004)
- NAV-410 Burnside Junction Fleet Management, Burnside Junction, AZ (7/11/2006)

As a result of our joint agency review of these reports EPA recommends that no further action(s) (NFA) be taken at this time. However, if additional information is found in the future indicating that contamination above regulatory levels remains at any of above listed sites EPA will assist the NNEPA in addressing those issues.

Please call Walt Guggenheimer of my staff at 415-972-3377 if you have questions or need more information regarding this letter.

Sincerely,



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Enclosure

cc: Henry Haven, Navajo Nation EPA
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