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Ms. Yu:

Attached is a correspondence from September 25, 2017. During a site reconnaissance last week and discussions with Mr. Littlejohn, our response is as follows:

- 1. SP-16 was not completed for delineation as the backhoe was not formally scheduled to assist with the characterization. The backhoe that delineated SP-6 was "borrowed" from earthwork activities being performed at the tank battery.
- 2. SP-16 is within a pipeline easement. See page 10 of the attached. For safety of the field personal, we propose to vertically delineate to the extent practical using a hand auger. Using a drill rig to vertically delineate the release in close proximity to a pipeline is not advised.
- 3. We walked the spill release west of the tank battery. Evidence of the release was not visible except in the area of SP-21 (see page 12 attached). We propose to vertically delineate SP-21 to the extent practical using a hand auger. We propose to restore the surface in-situ dependent on the results of vertical characterization.
- 4. Vertical characterization of SP-26 will be conducted using a hand auger to extent practical. The growth of natural vegetation within and around the undefined drainage is evidence that the release did not impair the environment (see page 11 of attached). Mobilizing a drill rig for vertical delineation will only disturbed the natural vegetation and is not advised.

We will submit a remediation plan to NMOCD showing the results of the characterization at SP-16, SP-21 and SP-26.

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