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RE: Quarterly Update – 2nd Quarter 2006
Williams Former Augusta Refinery RCRA Facility Investigation (RFI), Augusta Kansas
– KSD007235138

Dear Mr. Herstowski:

This letter is offered as the report of investigation activities at the Former Augusta Refinery in accordance with Section X, "Reporting," of the Administrative Order on Consent dated October 24, 2003, Docket No. RCRA-07-2004-0009. This report addresses activities occurring during the period of April 1 through June 30, 2006.

Description of Activities

Bi-monthly sampling of temporary groundwater monitor wells installed at the background area was performed in accordance with the respective Sampling and Analysis Plan. Background groundwater sampling was completed on April 27, 2006 and again on June 27, 2006.

The disposal of non-hazardous decontamination, purge, and development water occurred on April 7, 2006 via discharge to the City of Wichita POTW. On April 26, 2006 select drums of soil were sampled for disposal characterization. The drums were associated with the investigations at AOCs 4 and 6, SWMU 15, and SWMUs 5 and 6. On June 29, 2006 the RFI contractor met with a disposal company at the site to coordinate the transportation and disposal of 32 drums of soil and 2 drums of water.

The following field investigation activities were completed during the month of May:

- May 8th and 9th – Soil sampling and installation of temporary monitor wells at SWMU 3.
- May 9th through May 17th – Soil sampling and installation of temporary monitor wells in Process Area 1.
- May 18th and 19th – Soil sampling and installation of temporary monitor wells at SWMU 4.



- May 22nd and 23rd – Well development activities for the temporary monitor wells at SWMUs 3 and 4, and Process Area 1.
- May 24th through May 31st – Groundwater sampling of temporary monitor wells at SWMUs 3 and 4, and Process Area 1.

On June 7, 2006, survey activities for boring and temporary monitor well locations at SWMUs 3 and 4, and Process Area 1 were completed.

Summary of All Findings

Summaries of analytical results for specific units as well as actions planned will be presented in tabular form upon the completion of data validation and assessment of results reported. Tabulated results are not available for investigations completed during this reporting period as analytical data for the respective units are still being assessed.

Summaries of All EPA Approved Changes

None

Summaries of All Contacts

A meeting was held at the offices of EPA Region 7 on May 3, 2006 to discuss the overall RFI approach as presented in the SAPs being prepared for the various units at FAR. Discussions also included unit specific definition and community involvement. A Technical Memorandum was also presented to summarize the evaluation of data obtained during the initial investigation at SWMU 15, SWMUs 5 and 6, and AOCs 4 and 6. SAPs for investigations at SMWUs 3 and 4, and Process Area 1 were provided to EPA and the State of Kansas. EPA approval of these SAPs was subsequently received via e-mail on June 6, 2006 along with concurrence of proposed additional work at AOCs 4 and 6, and SWMU 15 as described in the Technical Memorandum.

Summaries of Problems Encountered

None

Actions to Rectify Problems

None

Changes in key project entities

None

Projected Work for the Next Reporting Period

SAPs for the investigation at SWMU 12, AOC-1/SWMU 16 and SWMUs 8, 9, and 17 will be finalized for submittal to EPA.



SAPs for the following units will be developed during the third quarter of 2006 for subsequent submittal to EPA:

SWMU 10, 11, 13, and 14 – Effluent Oxidation Pond, Rainfall Runoff Storage Pond, Oil Skimming Pond, and Levee Pond respectively
Process Areas 2 and 3 – Rail Loading Racks and Idle Truck Loading Rack
AOC 5 – Leaded Tank Bottom Disposal Areas
AOC A – Oil Collection Pond
AOC B – Former Landfill North of Effluent Oxidation Pond
AOC C – Former Pond Areas
AOC D – Asphaltic Material Disposal Area
AOC E – Sludge Pond
AOC F – Surface Staining
AOC G – Liquid Fuel Burning Facility Area
Groundwater – Site-wide

Field investigations for the following units will be performed or initiated during the next reporting period:

SWMU 12 – API Separator
AOC 1 and SWMU 16 – Surface Drainage Ditches and Oily water Sewer System
SWMU 17 – Asphalt Landfill
SWMUs 8 and 9 – East Landfill and Industrial Landfill

Additional field investigation will be conducted at SWMU 15 and AOCs 4 and 6 as summarized in the previous quarterly report.

Other Relevant Documentation

None

I certify that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to evaluate the information submitted. I certify that the information contained in or accompanying this submittal is true, accurate, and complete. As to those identified portion(s) of this submittal for which I cannot personally verify the accuracy, I certify that this submittal and all attachments were prepared in accordance with the procedures designed to ensure that qualified personnel properly gathered and evaluated the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those directly responsible for gathering the information, or the immediate supervisor of such person(s), the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations.

Please provide all written correspondence regarding this Quarterly Update directly to Mr. Phil Roberts with Williams Petroleum Services, LLC. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact Mr. Roberts at (918) 573-0757.



Sincerely,
Williams Petroleum Services, LLC

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Paul V. Hunter". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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Enclosures

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