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Environmental Restoration Program  
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Dear Gentlemen:

The City of Thornton would like to thank the Colorado Department of Health and the Department of Energy (DOE) for the opportunity to submit comments on the Proposed Interim Measures/Interim Remedial Action Plan and Decision Document for the 881 Hillside Area. The City believes that the option selected by Rockwell International, the UV/peroxide and ion exchange treatment system, is the appropriate solution because it accomplishes complete destruction of the contaminants without formation of additional hazardous wastes or other by-products. In addition, we feel that the french drain collection system is an excellent choice for collection of the groundwater.

Specific comments related to the document and the proposed plan are as follows:

- The french drain should be extended on the east end to include coverage of Solid Waste Management Unit (SWMU) 119.2 which was used for barrel storage.
- A detailed operating procedure should be developed to establish an appropriate water quality monitoring system and to define treatment criteria and standards.

In the interest of public relations and public safety a study should be funded to determine an appropriate collection system to take Pond C-2 water and runoff from the site to prevent contamination of the drinking water supply for the Cities of Thornton, Northglenn and Westminster.

A permanent system should be developed to intercept flow from Woman Creek and divert it around Standley Lake to protect public health from contamination which may not be known or apparent at this time.

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Again, we appreciate the opportunity to comment on this plan and hope that a workable solution can be developed to address these concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Annette Barnard".

Annette Barnard  
Manager of Water Quality

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