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Dear Mr Schassburger

We have completed our review of the draft RFI/RI Report for Operable Unit 1 (OU 1) We are providing you with our enclosed comments on the report those of our contractor and those comments submitted by the Technical Review Group that we believe must be addressed All enclosed comments must be addressed to our satisfaction during the revision of this document In addition the State of Colorado will be submitting comments under separate cover

In summary, we found the document to be substantively deficient in numerous ways, to the extent that the document as developed may not comply with our Interagency Agreement (IAG) As you may recall, we have previously stated that submittal of inadequate documents may not suffice to meet the enforceable milestones Additionally in this instance it appears that DOE failed to implement approved workplans, which may constitute enforceable violations of the IAG

Given the importance of the OU 1 remedial investigation we are deeply distressed that DOE was unable to perform the work as approved and was unable to satisfy stated RFI/RI objectives Clearly the document needs extensive revision, and there may be a need to undertake further field work In light of the extensive inadequacies of the document we would like to present our concerns to your staff and management As we believe that significant effort on your part to revise the document could be non productive until we have presented the inadequacies to you and your organization, we will extend the milestone date for delivery of the Final RFI/RI Report for OU 1 for the period of time between January 29 1993 and when the presentation is given during the week of February 8, 1993 At this presentation, it is imperative that we also establish a mechanism to allow EPA and the State of Colorado to be directly involved in the revision of this document We would like to schedule this presentation for the week of February 8, and will contact you to establish the specific time and location for this presentation

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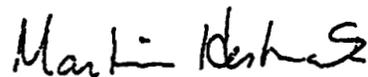
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If you have any questions regarding this letter or the enclosures please contact me at (303) 294-1134

Sincerely,



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Enclosures

cc Gary Baughman, CDH