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re OU2 (Subsurface) IM/IRA  
Public Comments

Dear Ms Brainard

The attached comments were prepared by our technical review contractor, in cooperation with EPA. We are submitting them for consideration pursuant to the DOE request for public comment on the subject document.

In addition to the questions and problems raised in the attached comments, EPA would like to urge DOE to make a diligent effort to update the techniques proposed in the IM/IRA as new information and equipment enters the market. For instance, we understand excellent results have been obtained in recent applications of directional drilling and/or air sparging in conjunction with bio-venting work. Both these techniques should be thoroughly evaluated for potential applicability to the difficult conditions in OU2, and added as possible techniques for use during the IM/IRA if found appropriate.

If you have questions or require clarification of any of the comments provided here in order to facilitate an appropriate

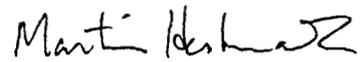
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Sincerely,



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