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May 15, 1990

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Dear Ms. Gordon:

In response to your letter, dated April 17, 1990, you requested additional data involving the December 1989 removal of the Solvent Waste Tank (#3). I have discussed the request with Mr. David Englert, of your office, and he has asked me to detail the activities of the removal of the tank.

We contracted with OSCO-Chemical Waste Management, ENRAC Division, to do a complete turnkey operation, where they emptied the tank of it's contents, cleaned the tank out, disposed of the waste from the clean, and properly disposed of the tank. I am enclosing copies of the operation including manifests of the waste. We also had the destruction of the tank video taped and can get you a copy if needed.

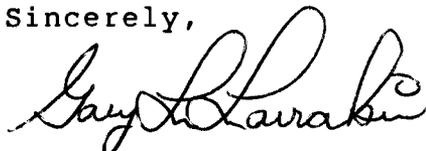
Your letter also requested written statements as to the testing and installation of the tank as per 40 CFR sections 264.192 (b) through (f). I am enclosing a letter from the tank manufacturer regarding testing of the tank prior to installation. However, we were instructed by your office, per my letter of January 22, 1990, that this was strictly a replacement issue and not a new system issue. Our only instructions were to make sure that the replacement tank was identical to the existing tank. With this in mind, the installation was completed by Yearout Mechanical, under supervision of Richard Timmons (Project Engineer) and Bill Kerns (Project Manager), both employees of Signetics. Also onsite during the removal/installation was Cathy Weber (Laboratory Specialist-Environmental Compliance), the Chemical Support Operations Techs, and myself. The fill line to the tank was disconnected, the tank was removed, the new tank lowered into the vault, and the fill line reconnected. The system was checked for leaks by emptying some solvent sinks (which gravity feed to the tank). No leaks were detected and we have not had a problem with the tank since the installation.



As always, any work completed within our HW program, is now part of our operating record.

If you have any questions regarding this letter or need any additional information, please call me at (505) 822-7188. I also suggest that if you have additional questions, that a site visit might be in order so you see how the job was completed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Gary M. Mavrakis". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Gary M. Mavrakis  
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