



July 26, 1993

Mr. Rich Mayer
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USEPA - Region VI
1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 1200
Dallas, TX 75202-2733

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Re: Quarterly Progress Report, Safety-Kleen Corp. Service Center,
Albuquerque, New Mexico (NMD 000804294)

Dear Mr. Mayer:

The HSWA permit conditions for the above-referenced facility requested that a RCRA Facility Investigation (RFI) workplan be prepared to address potential subsurface degradation in the vicinity of SWMU No. 4, a potential underground storage tank (UST) system. In response to this request, Safety-Kleen Corp. (S-K) submitted correspondence dated May 18 and June 22, 1993, as an RFI workplan. USEPA approved the RFI Workplan in a letter dated June 30, 1992.

USEPA identified SWMU No. 4 as a small UST (1000 to 2000-gallon) which may have been used to store spent mineral spirits sludge. S-K records are unclear as to whether this sludge tank is present or ever existed at the site. This sludge tank would be, or would have been, located in the vicinity of the two 10,000-gallon USTs which are currently subject to closure. Therefore, sampling in the vicinity of SWMU No. 4 is contingent upon removal of the two 10,000-gallon USTs and sludge UST, if present.

On May 7, 1993, the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) approved a partial facility closure plan for the underground storage tank system (USTs) at the Albuquerque facility. The NMED stipulated that all closure activities must be completed by November 10, 1993. The approved closure activities include decontamination and removal of the USTs, excavation soil sampling, and a subsurface investigation which includes sampling and analysis to satisfy the RFI requirements.

As per a telephone conversation between Mr. Jack Bedessem (TriHydro Corporation) and you on July 22, 1993, these closure activities are scheduled to begin the week of July 26, 1993. The closure assessment and RFI work are scheduled to be performed between August 11 and 17, 1993. The assessment work will consist of drilling soil borings, soil sample collection, field screening, and submittal of soil samples for laboratory analysis.

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The primary purpose of this letter-report is to inform USEPA of the proposed RFI soil sampling schedule. Three copies of this quarterly progress report are being submitted to USEPA and two copies to NMED. S-K intends to submit the RFI report on or before October 31, 1993, in accordance with the USEPA-approved extension of the reporting date.

If you have questions regarding the scheduled activities, please feel free to contact Joe Herrin at (713) 280-9754 or Jack Bedessem at (307) 745-7474.

Sincerely,
SAFETY-KLEEN CORP.



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I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons directly responsible for gathering the information, 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.

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Date

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