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November 10, 2006

Re: Approval with Modifications
Interim Measures Implementation Report
North Boundary Barrier and Collection System
Giant Refining Company, Bloomfield Refinery
EPA ID #NMD089416416 HWB-GRCB-05-004

Dear Mr. Kieling,

Giant Refining Company Bloomfield (GRCB) received the October 12, 2006 letter from the New Mexico Environmental Department (NMED) requesting additional information regarding the Interim Measures Implementation Report North Boundary Barrier and Collection System Giant Refining Company, Bloomfield Refinery. The following correspondence will address NMED's requests.

Comment #1 requests an explanation for the discrepancy in the sampling dates. The reported June 2005 date is a typographical error. Baseline sampling in fact occurred in May 2005.

Comment #3 requests information regarding the location and subsequent management of a segregated soil stockpile. The stockpile was placed on a plastic liner within a bermed area located on the east end of the refinery's Tank Farm. As stated in the Interim Measures Report, one composite sample was taken and analytical results indicated (Table 1) detected concentrations below the NMED SSLs for industrial exposure. The segregated soil was then transported to the former storm water retention basins.

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If you need additional information, please contact me at (505) 632-4171.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James R. Schmaltz". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end.

James R. Schmaltz
Environmental Manager – Giant Refining – Bloomfield

Cc: Wayne Price – NMOCD-Santa Fe
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