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October 27, 2009

Mr. Randy Schmaltz
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**RE: WASTE STREAM SAMPLING AT THE ACTIVE LANDFILL
WESTERN REFINING SOUTHWEST INC., BLOOMFIELD REFINERY
EPA ID# NMD089416416
HWB-GRCB-09-001**

Dear Mr. Schmaltz:

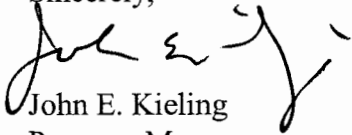
On October 20, 2009, the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED), the Oil Conservation Division (OCD), and Western Refining Southwest Inc., Bloomfield Refinery's (Western) met at the offices of OCD to discuss the OCD Discharge Permit and landfills at the facility. Based on discussions in the meeting, Western must sample the following waste streams that enter the Active Landfill (Solid Waste Management Unit No. 16): the FCC fines and the precipitator fines must be sampled and analyzed for total semi-volatile organic compounds (SVOCs), total Target Analyte List (TAL) Metals, toxicity characteristic leaching procedure (TCLP) RCRA 8 metals, ignitability, corrosivity, and reactivity. The sulfur waste stream may be characterized based on process knowledge.

The waste streams must be sampled by October 31, 2009. The final analytical laboratory reports must be submitted to NMED and OCD within five business days of receipt from the analytical laboratory.

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If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Hope Monzeglio of my staff at (505) 476-6045.

Sincerely,



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