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Re: Giant Refining Company, Bloomfield Refinery Order No. HWB 07-34 (CO)  
Group No. 5 RCRA Investigation Report Extension Request

Dear Mrs. Petrie:

Western Refining Southwest, Inc. – Bloomfield Refinery (Western) understands that the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) is in the final stages of completing their review of the Group No. 2 RCRA Investigation Report. Based on preliminary discussions with NMED regarding their review of the Group No. 2 Investigation Report, Western understands that some of the agency's comments will focus on general report structure and thus will need to be incorporated in all Investigation Report submittals on-going.

Western is currently finalizing the Group No. 5 Investigation Report for submittal. The original due date for the Group No. 5 Investigation Report is June 1, 2011. During prior discussions with NMED, the agency indicated that they would strongly consider approval of an extension request for submittal of the Group No.5 Investigation Report in order for Western to have an opportunity to incorporate applicable comments into the Group No. 5 Investigation Report.

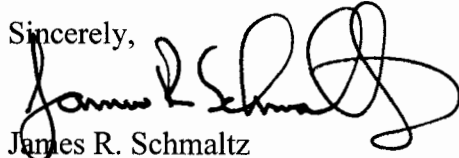
With this said, Western requests to extend the submittal deadline for the Group No. 5 Investigation Report to allow Western to incorporate the applicable format change. If extension request is granted, Western would appreciate the Agency's consideration that the new Group No. 5 submittal date allow sufficient time for Western to review and incorporate the necessary structure changes to the Group No. 5 Report.

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If you have any questions or would like to discuss this request in more details, please feel free to 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 the first name "James" being more legible than the last name "Schmaltz".

James R. Schmaltz  
Health, Safety, Environmental, & Regulatory Director  
Western Refining Southwest, Inc. - Bloomfield Refinery

cc: Dave Cobrain – NMED HWB