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**Re: Background Investigation Report Addendum - Extension Request
Western Refining Southwest, Inc., Bloomfield Refinery
EPA ID#: NMD089416416**

Dear Mr. Kieling:

On July 5, 2012, Western Refining Southwest, Inc., Bloomfield Refinery ("Western") submitted to the New Mexico Environment Department – Hazardous Waste Bureau ("NMED-HWB") the Background Concentrations Investigation Report. This report summarized the activities performed pursuant to the approved Background Concentrations Investigation Work Plan dated July 2010 (Revised February 2011), which included a summary of the soil analytical results and initial background groundwater sampling activities.

Pursuant to the approved Work Plan, additional groundwater samples were collected over a period of two years in order to collect samples that represented eight consecutive quarters. The first set of groundwater samples that were included in the July 2012 Investigation Report submittal were collected in the second quarter of 2012. As of July 2014, Western has completed the groundwater field sampling activities and we are in the final stages of completing the QA/QC evaluation of that analytical data.

Since the July 2012 Investigation Report included detailed information regarding the well installation and sampling procedures associated with the on-going background sampling activities, Western requests approval from the NMED-HWB to submit the additional groundwater analytical results as an Addendum to the July 2012 Investigation Report. By submitting the additional information as an Addendum, it would avoid having to include such information as well construction, analytical methods, and sampling procedures that were already provided in detail in the July 2012 Investigation Report submittal.

If the NMED-HWB is in agreement of accepting this submittal request, Western would be able to submit the Background Concentrations Investigation Report Addendum by mid-December 2014. If you have any questions or would like to discuss this topic further, please feel free to contact me at (505) 632-4166 or Randy Schmaltz at (505) 632-4171.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kelly Robinson".

Kelly Robinson
Environmental Supervisor
Western Refining Southwest, Inc.

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