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December 21, 2011

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Michael Linder, Director Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality PO Box 98922 Lincoln, Nebraska 68509-8922

Subject:

Nonconformance of Class I UIC Permit NE0210825 Part II (C)

Deep Disposal Well #2 Monthly Composite Sampling

Dear Mr. Linder:

Part II (C) of the referenced Class I UIC permit requires that Crow Butte Operation (CBO) collect a monthly composite sample of the chemical parameters listed in the table. On November 29, 2011, CBO began the initial startup of Deep Disposal Well #2. Water samples were collected on November 29 and 30, 2011 and submitted to the onsite laboratory for Calcium, Chloride, Sulfate, Sodium, Alkalinity, and pH testing. Results of these tests are included in the November 2011 monthly report. During preparation of this report on December 20, 2011, it was discovered that the composite sample (collected on the first full day of operation – November 30, 2011) for off-site testing of Radium, Uranium, Arsenic, Barium, Cadmium, Chromium, Lead, Mercury, Selenium, and Silver had been collected and put into the December composite sample for this well. The results of which will be reported in the December 2011 monthly report.

As a safety precaution, CBO was using injection water to test the startup of Deep Disposal Well #2. The most recent lab sample for injection water is attached to this report.

This incident will be investigated through the CBO corrective action process and corrective actions will be taken as appropriate.

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Title 122 Chapter 21 Section 001.06 requires 24 hour telephone notification of a noncompliance with the permit conditions, followed by a written report in five days. SHEQ Manager Larry Teahon notified Mrs. Jennifer Coughlin of the sampling nonconformance on December 21, 2011. Mr. Bill von Till, Branch Chief, for the Nuclear Regulatory Commission was also notified by voicemail on December 21, 2011.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at (308) 665-2215 ext 111.

Sincerely,

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/Jim Stokey

General Manager

Attachments

cc:

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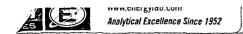
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LABORATORY ANALYTICAL REPORT

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MU 6 Injection Water (WH 26)

Lab ID:

C10101139-001

Client Sample ID: Wellhouse 26 Injection

Report Date: 11/18/10

Collection Date: 10/27/10

DateReceived: 10/29/10

Matrix: Aqueous

					MCL/		
Analyses	Result	Units	Qualifiers	RL	QCL	Method	Analysis Date / By
MAJOR IONS							
Alkalinity, Total as CaCO3	1740	mg/L		5		A2320 B	11/01/10 17:12 / jba
Carbonate as CO3	ND	mg/L		5		A2320 B	11/01/10 17:12 / jba
Bicarbonate as HCO3	2120	mg/L		5		A2320 B	11/01/10 17:12 / jba
Calcium	73	mg/L	Ð	2		E200.7	11/09/10 17:49 / cp
Chloride	714	mg/L	D	4		E300.0	11/06/10 12:46 / ljl
Fluoride	0.5	mg/L		0.1		A4500-F C	11/02/10 10:37 / jba
Magnesium	23	mg/L		1		E200.7	11/09/10 17:49 / cp
Nitrogen, Ammonia as N	ND	mg/L		0.05		A4500-NH3 G	11/15/10 16:07 / dc
Nitrogen, Nitrate+Nitrite as N	0.4	mg/L		0.1		E353.2	11/10/10 15:04 / dc
Potassium	32	mg/L		1		E200.7	11/09/10 17:49 / cp
Silica	24.1	mg/L		0.2		E200.7	11/09/10 17:49 / cp
Sodium	1460	mg/L	D	3		E200.7	11/09/10 17:49 / cp
Sulfate	708	mg/L	D	20		E300.0	11/06/10 12:46 / ljl
PHYSICAL PROPERTIES							
Conductivity @ 25 C	5930	umhos/cm		1		A2510 B	11/02/10 09:07 / Ir
pH	7.99	s.u.		0.01		A4500-H B	11/02/10 09:07 / lr
Solids, Total Dissolved TDS @ 180 C	4110	mg/L	D	16		A2540 C	11/01/10 17:14 / Ir
METALS - DISSOLVED							
Aluminum	ND	mg/L		0.1		E200.8	11/01/10 19:51 / sml
Arsenic	0.049	mg/L		0.001		E200.8	11/01/10 19:51 / sml
Barium	ND	mg/L		0.1		E200.8	11/01/10 19:51 / sml
Boron	1.3	mg/L		0.1		E200.7	11/09/10 17:49 / cp
Cadmium	ND	mg/L		0.005		E200.8	11/01/10 19:51 / sml
Chromium	ND	mg/L		0.05		E200.8	11/01/10 19:51 / sml
Copper	0.02	mg/L		0.01		E200.8	11/01/10 19:51 / sml
Iron	ND	mg/L		0.03		E200.7	11/09/10 17:49 / cp
Lead	ND	mg/L		0.001		E200.8	11/01/10 19:51 / sml
Manganese	0.03	mg/L		0.01		E200.8	11/01/10 19:51 / sml
Mercury	ND	mg/L		0.001		E200.8	11/01/10 19:51 / sml
Molybdenum	0.4	mg/L		0.1		E200.8	11/01/10 19:51 / sml
Nickel	ND	mg/L		0.05		E200.8	11/01/10 19:51 / sml
Selenium	0.128	mg/L		0.001		E200.8	11/01/10 19:51 / sml
Uranium	0.951	mg/L		0.0003		E200.8	11/01/10 19:51 / sml
Uranium, Activity	6.4E-07	uCi/mL	:	2.0E-10		E200.8	11/01/10 19:51 / sml
Vanadium	0.8	mg/L		0.1		E200.8	11/01/10 19:51 / sml
Zinc	0.01	mg/L		0.01		E200.8	11/01/10 19:51 / sml
RADIONUCLIDES - DISSOLVED							
Radium 226	1150	pCi/L		0.18		E903.0	11/10/10 12:07 / jb
Radium 226 precision (±)	7.0	pCi/L				E903.0	11/10/10 12:07 / jb
Radium 226 MDC	0.18	pCi/L				E903.0	11/10/10 12:07 / jb

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RL - Analyte reporting limit.

Dumitions:

QCL - Quality control limit.

MDC - Minimum detectable concentration

MCL - Maximum contaminant level.

ND - Not detected at the reporting limit.

D - RL increased due to sample matrix.

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