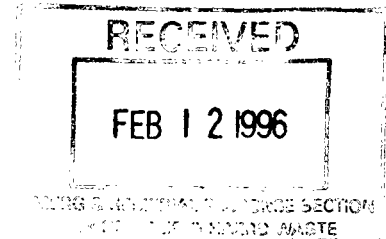




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Work Order No. 02687-007-002

Re: Monthly Progress Report for January 1996
Moss-American Site, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Dear Mr. Hart:

Roy F. Weston, Inc. (WESTON®) has prepared this monthly progress report on behalf of the Settling Defendant for the Moss-American Superfund site, Kerr-McGee Chemical Corporation (KMCC). This monthly progress report has been prepared to document progress during January 1996.

Progress During January 1996

On 12 January 1996, KMCC/WESTON transmitted responses to Agency comments on Focused Remedial Alternatives for Soil and Sediment and Preliminary Design for Groundwater Remedial Systems. Also within this transmittal, we presented a Preliminary Biotreatability Study for the funnel-and-gate groundwater design.

On 18 January 1996, U.S. EPA transmitted a memorandum developed by an EPA BTAG committee evaluating the Little Menomonee River re-routing plan proposed by U.S. EPA's selected remedy for the site. The memorandum states that the BTAG representatives unanimously agreed that "... the river should not be re-routed, in spite of the decision in the ROD." KMCC/WESTON are in general concurrence with BTAG's recommendations to explore alternate, less ecologically destructive approaches to river remediation, and not to re-route the Little Menomonee River.

Our views on this matter were expressed in a number of Technical Memoranda and substantiated with significant new site environmental data and studies completed under Predesign Tasks 2, 9, and 10. We believe this new site data supports that the selected remedy is no longer the most appropriate solution for the site, thus supporting EPA's criteria for re-opening the ROD on this matter.





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On 30 January 1996, U.S. EPA issued a letter requesting additional information related to the selected remedy for the river. KMCC/WESTON will work to comply with this request, following our obtaining clarification of the request during a forthcoming (15 February 1996) meeting with U.S. EPA and WDNR.

Activities Anticipated During February 1996

KMCC/WESTON scheduled a meeting with U.S. EPA and WDNR on Wednesday, 7 February 1996, to discuss various project issues including 1996 work schedule, ROD amendments, and potential soil/groundwater remedies. WDNR then requested that this meeting be postponed until 15 February 1996.

Should further clarification of this progress report be required, please contact the undersigned at (847) 918-4000.

Very truly yours,

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