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Mr. Russell D. Hart Remedial Project Manager (HSRW-6J) U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 77 West Jackson Boulevard Chicago, IL 60604

Work Order No. 02687-007-002

Re: Monthly Progress Report for December 1997 Moss-American Site, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Dear Mr. Hart:

Roy F. Weston, Inc. (WESTON_{\otimes}) 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 December 1997.

Progress During December 1997

Progress during this reporting period includes:

- On 8 December 1997, U.S. EPA issued a letter requesting that discussions related to the Statement of Work attempt to be concluded by early January 1998.
- On 9 December 1997, WESTON issued additional technical information supporting the use of the immunoassay field test method for river-bottom confirmation sampling.
- On 16 December 1997, KMCC, WESTON, U.S. EPA, and WDNR and Counsel attended a meeting in Chicago to continue discussions in developing a revised Statement of Work (SOW). Each party issued minutes and various documentation of the meeting, highlighting resolved and unresolved technical issues. KMCC's letter of 19 December 1997 summarized action items for the various parties.
- On 18 December and 29 December 1997, WDNR and U.S. EPA issued additional comments related to the funnel and gate design.
- KMCC/WESTON completed clearing the site of trees and brush in preparation for 1998 remediation work.



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• KMCC/WESTON have proceeded with preparation of bid documents and technical specifications related to procurement of a thermal desorption contractor and implementation of a revised soil remedy. There are still several technical issues, however, that require resolution with the Agencies.

Activities Anticipated During January 1998

During January, KMCC/WESTON anticipate the following activities:

- We will continue to work with U.S. EPA and WDNR toward resolution of issues related to developing a revised site remedy and modified SOW. We conducted a meeting with U.S. EPA, WDNR, and Counsel on 7 January 1998. KMCC/ WESTON will proceed with action items from this meeting.
- KMCC/WESTON will address U.S. EPA/WDNR comments and additional issues raised on the 95% groundwater design and the revised funnel and gate layout.

Should further clarification of this progress report be required, please contact me at (847) 918-4114.

Very truly yours,

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