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REGION 7

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Lenexa, Kansas 66219

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Mr. Michael J. Sherbak II
Plant Manager
Koch Nitrogen Company, Dodge City Plant
11559 U.S. Highway 50
P.O. Box 1337
Dodge City, Kansas 67801-1337

RE: Koch Nitrogen Company Letters Regarding Releases near TW-78, TW-84 and TW-28
Koch Nitrogen Company Dodge City Plant
EPA I.D. #KSD044625010

Dear Mr. Sherbak:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 7 has reviewed the Koch Nitrogen Company (KNC's) notifications to the EPA of three releases, in accordance with Permit Condition C.4 of the Part II Permit, in letters, dated December 19, 2012, February 27, 2013 and April 17, 2013. According to these letters, releases to soil consisted of approximately 1,000 gallons of unaltered (untreated) groundwater from a leak in a new valve that had been replaced on the well piping near TW-78 (December 2012); approximately 500 gallons of unaltered (untreated) groundwater discovered in a corrugated metal pipe vault at well TW-84 (February 2013); and approximately 5,250 gallons of unaltered (untreated) groundwater was released when contractors were performing Phase II Tier II soil sampling when they struck the recovery well header east of TW-28 (April 2013). These spills are considered "Areas of Concern" (AOCs) and will require investigation under the Part II portion of KNC's Permit. In accordance with Permit Condition C.4., the EPA is notifying KNC that a work plan is necessary to describe the investigation for these AOCs.

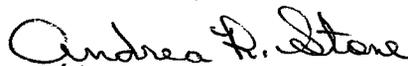
Since KNC is currently implementing the approved Phase II Tier II work plan addendum, KNC can conduct investigations at these AOCs in accordance with the approved work plan addendum and QAPP. KNC should submit a letter with maps showing the sampling locations and depths for the AOC spill areas and state in the letter that this work is being completed in accordance with the approved work plan addendum and QAPP. Please also include a facility-wide map showing these recent spill locations.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please call me at 1-800-223-0425 extension 7662 or direct at (913) 551-7662.



I may also be reached by email at stone.andrear@epa.gov.

Sincerely,



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