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All,

Please see attached EPA approval of background concentrations. Please consider this as the official letter and a hard copy will not be mailed. If you have any questions please let me know.

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Re: Approval of proposed ground water concentrations for the Homestake Mining Company Site
(CERCLIS ID NMD0078600935), Milan, NM.

Dear Mr. Von Till:

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is approving the proposed background concentrations for the Homestake Mining Company Superfund Site, Milan, NM. The proposed standards are listed in the New Mexico Environment Department's acceptance of these standards in a letter dated August 18, 2005. The new standards will be used as the criteria for site clean up.

We thank you for your continued cooperation in addressing the cleanup at this site. If you have any questions please contact me at 214-665-3126.

Sincerely,

Sai Appaji /s/ 9/27/05

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