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R.E. Cabot Decommissioning Cost Estimate Submitted July 15, 2003

I suggest you provide page changes, or change the cost estimate sections in a revised application to reflect :

1. What was asked in RAIs of Jan. 14, 2003

- #1 - cost to transport and dispose of (or why you assume it can easily be sold) the ore, and cost to clean all areas of ore dust and filtercake;
- #4 - information on filtercake disposal contract (duration and acceptance volume of existing or pending contract, and any potential contracts))

2. Items we discussed on Aug. 14, 2003

Why did you assume most equipment and surfaces can be decontaminated; why no cost for wash water disposal; why no cost for backfill and seeding or gravel; cost for preparation of final decommissioning plan and final status survey report.

3. Additional information on Soil (Section 5.2.3)

In order to document the soil volume to be excavated (Table 2, 118,500 cubic ft.), provide the map showing sample locations with analytical values and an outline of estimated extent of contamination. Does this volume need to include evaporation pond sludge? Since the DGCLs are based on 25 mrem, how will ALARA be demonstrated and at what cost?

4. Section 5.2.5

Document that the waste reduction percentage is current for your type of contamination and equipment, or state why the 1993 assumptions are still valid.

Call if you have questions.

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