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SUBJECT: ANALYTICAL RESULTS FOR NINE SWIPE SAMPLES COLLECTED JULY 13-14, 2005 FROM KAISER ALUMINUM, TULSA, OKLAHOMA (INSPECTION REPORT #040-02377/05-004) [RFTA NO. 05-001]

Dear Ms. Schlapper:

The Environmental Survey and Site Assessment Program (ESSAP) of the Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education (ORISE) received 8 soil samples and 9 swipe samples from Kaiser Aluminum, Tulsa, Oklahoma on July 18, 2005 for analysis. At your request, the swipe samples were processed as "urgent." The swipe samples were analyzed by gas-flow proportional counting (Procedure CP3, Revision 2). The measured alpha activity for each smear for "free release" was below the requested alpha release criteria of 50 dpm/100 cm². The measured alpha activity for each smear from the "buried structure" was below the requested alpha release criteria of 94 dpm/100 cm². The gross alpha activities for the swipes are presented in Table 1. The gamma spectroscopy data for the soil samples will be presented in a separate letter report under the same inspection report number.

ESSAP's Quality Control (QC) requirements were met for these analyses. The QC files are available for your review upon request.

Please contact me at (865) 241-3242 or Wade Ivey at (865) 576-9184 with any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

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GROSS ALPHA ACTIVITIES IN SWIPE SAMPLES BY LOW BACKGROUND ALPHA AND BETA COUNTING CP3, REVISION 2 KAISER ALUMINUM TULSA, OKLAHOMA

ESSAP Sample ID	NRC Region IV Sample ID	Concentrations (dpm/100 cm ²)
		Gross Alpha ^a
1668R0001-1	NRC05-04-S1	1.49 ± 0.73 ^b
1668R0001-2	NRC05-04-S2	0.87 ± 0.62
1668R0001-3	NRC05-04-S3	0.19 ± 0.47
1668R0001-4	NRC05-04-S4	0.50 ± 0.54
1668R0001-5	NRC05-04-S5	1.42 ± 0.72
1668R0001-6	NRC05-04-S6	1.05 ± 0.66
1668R0001-7	NRC05-04-S7	0.68 ± 0.58
1668R0001-8	NRC05-04-S8	0.62 ± 0.57
1668R0001-9	NRC05-04-S9	0.74 ± 0.60

^aThe MDC for gross alpha for a 60 minute count is 0.89 dpm/wipe.

^bUncertainties represent the 95% confidence level, based on total propagated uncertainties.