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SUBJECT:

ANALYTICAL RESULTS FOR FOUR WATER SAMPLES, BATCH ONE, FROM THE VICINITY OF THE QUAD CITIES STATION, CORDOVA, ILLINOIS [INSPECTION REPORT NO. 050-00254/2006-005] (RFTA NO. 06-001)

Dear Mr. Snell:

The Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education (ORISE) received four water samples, Batch One, on April 26, 2006 which were collected in the vicinity of the Quad Cities Station in Cordova, Illinois. The four water samples were analyzed for tritium using a liquid scintillation analyzer. The chain of custody identified one water sample to be analyzed by gamma spectroscopy (GS). The sample identifications and collection data are presented in Table 1. The GS data are presented in Table 2. The tritium data are presented in Table 3. The pertinent procedure references are provided in the specific tables.

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

My contact information is listed below. You may also contact Wade Ivey at 865.576.9184 with any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

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TABLE 1

SAMPLE IDENTIFICATIONS AND COLLECTION DATA QUAD CITIES STATION CORDOVA, ILLINOIS

ORISE Sample ID	NRC Region III Sample ID	Collection Time	Collection Date
1703W0001	Q-06-1-01	04/21/2006	4:25 PM
1703W0002	Q-06-1-02	04/21/2006	4:35 PM
1703W0003	Q-06-1-03	04/21/2006	4:50 PM
1703W0004	Q-06-1-04	04/21/2006	5:45 PM

TABLE 2

CONCENTRATIONS OF SELECTED GAMMA EMITTING RADIONUCLIDES IN A SELECTED WATER SAMPLE BY GAMMA SPECTROSCOPY CP1, REVISION 15 QUAD CITIES STATION CORDOVA, ILLINOIS

ORISE	NRC Region III	Radionuclide Concentrations ² (pCi/L)				
Sample ID	Sample ID	Co-58	Co-60	Cs-134	Cs-137	
1703W0004	Q-06-1-04	$-0.4 \pm 6.0^{\rm b}$	-1.4 ± 5.5	2.5 ± 6.2	4.0 ± 5.0	

^{*}The range of MDCs for the selected radionuclides is 8.9 pCi/L to 9.5 pCi/L.

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

TABLE 3

CONCENTRATIONS OF TRITIUM IN WATER SAMPLES BY LIQUID SCINTILLATION ANALYSIS AP2, REVISION 15; CP4, REVISION 3 QUAD CITIES STATION CORDOVA, ILLINOIS

ORISE Sample ID	NRC Region III Sample ID	Tritium Concentrations, TPUs, and MDCs ^a (pCi/L)				
1703W0001	Q-06-1-01	-30	±	100 ^b	(180)	
1703W0002	Q-06-1-02	-40	±	100	(180)	
1703W0003	Q-06-1-03	40	±	110	(180)	
1703W0004	Q-06-1-04	20	±	110	(180)	

^{*}MDCs are in parenthesis.

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