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**SUBJECT: ANALYTICAL RESULTS FOR FOUR WATER SAMPLES, BATCH THREE, FROM THE VICINITY OF THE QUAD CITIES STATION, CORDOVA, ILLINOIS [INSPECTION REPORT NO. 050-00254/2006-006] (RFTA NO. 06-001)**

Dear Mr. Snell:

The Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education (ORISE) received Batch Three, consisting of four water samples, on July 17, 2006 which were collected in the vicinity of the Quad Cities Station in Cordova, Illinois. The four water samples were analyzed for tritium to a minimum detectable concentration of 180 pCi/L 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**

<b>ORISE Sample ID</b>	<b>NRC Region III Sample ID</b>	<b>Collection Time</b>	<b>Collection Date</b>
1703W0030	Q-06-3-01	7/14/06	8:30
1703W0031	Q-06-3-02	7/14/06	8:45
1703W0032	Q-06-3-03	7/14/06	9:00
1703W0033	Q-06-3-04	7/14/06	10:00

**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 Sample ID	NRC Region III Sample ID	Radionuclide Concentrations <sup>a</sup> (pCi/L)			
		Co-58	Co-60	Cs-134	Cs-137
1703W0033	Q-06-3-04	1.3 ± 2.2 <sup>b</sup>	0.2 ± 2.3	-0.4 ± 2.6	0.3 ± 2.4

<sup>a</sup>The range of MDCs for the selected radionuclides is 3.5 pCi/L to 4.0 pCi/L.

<sup>b</sup>Uncertainties 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 <sup>a</sup> (pCi/L)			
1703W0030	Q-06-3-01	60	±	100 <sup>b</sup>	(180)
1703W0031	Q-06-3-02	80	±	110	(180)
1703W0032	Q-06-3-03	-30	±	100	(180)
1703W0033	Q-06-3-04	40	±	100	(180)

<sup>a</sup>MDCs are in parenthesis.

<sup>b</sup>Uncertainties represent the 95% confidence level, based on total propagated uncertainties.