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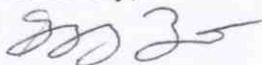
To Whom It May Concern:

The *Characterization Survey Work Plan* for the Defense National Stockpile Center (DNSC) New Haven Depot explains that a gamma walkover survey (GWS) will be performed over Class 3 outdoor areas, as possible. It also details that biased scan surveys for gross alpha activity will be performed on Class 3 outdoor surfaces, such as concrete pads, asphalt roads, rail lines and rail ties, at a 10-20% rate. These areas include the paved road to the rail scale, the rail scale, outdoor shrink-wrapping areas, and railroad tracks used for storage or transport.

Cabrera Services, Inc. (CABRERA) began field work in Area 7A to locate residual zirconium ore contamination. GWSs were performed over 100% of Area 7A, and the highest gamma activity results were used to select biased soil samples in the area. It was presented definitively during field activities that the zirconium ore emits sufficient gamma activity to detect to a level of 6 inches below ground surface.

CABRERA submits that in Class 3 outdoor surface surveys, GWSs are sufficient to detect the residual zirconium ore (if any) at these locations and that biased scan surveys for gross alpha activity are not necessary.

Sincerely,



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