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Mr. James J. McGovern  
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Dear Mr. McGovern:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated February 19, 1992, in which you outline Cintichem's proposed procedures to determine the distribution coefficient for soils at the Cintichem facility. During our review of your proposed procedures, it was unclear as to the total number of soil samples Cintichem intends to take from the areas adjacent to the Evaporator/T1 room (i.e., will the total number of samples taken be five or five samples will be taken from behind each wall and the floor).

As discussed in our phone conversation of March 11, 1992, Cintichem will take one soil sample from the area behind each of the North, South, East, and West walls, and the floor, of the Evaporator/T1 room, for a total of five soil samples.

Other than clarifying this point, your proposed procedures appear to be adequate to develop the information you will need to determine the distribution coefficients for the soil at the Cintichem facility.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (301) 504-2566.

Sincerely,

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