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ENVIRONMENT AND HEALTH MANAGEMENT DIVISION

June 1, 1992

Mr. David Fauver
Decommissioning and Regulatory Issues Branch
Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

Re: Kerr-McGee Corporation
Cushing, Oklahoma Site

Dear Mr. Fauver:

Attached is a copy of the letter from the Oklahoma State Department of Health (OSDH) concerning the characterization of the wastes in the pits at the Cushing, Oklahoma site. The copy is provided per your request at the May 18, 1992 meeting with Edwin Still and Roy Smith.

The OSDH concurs the pit waste is not a RCRA listed waste and is hazardous only by characteristic (corrosivity). The plan is to neutralize the pit 4 material on site, thus rendering the material non-hazardous for future handling.

Sincerely,

John C. Stauter
Vice President,
Environmental Services

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John C. Stauter, Vice-President
Environmental Services
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Kerr-McGee Center
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Dear Mr. Stauter:

This letter is in response to your letter of May 2, 1991, concerning the issue of whether the wastes in pits 1-5 at the Cushing Refinery site are "listed" hazardous wastes. The information which has been provided concerning the material in pits 1-5 at the Cushing Refinery site has been reviewed by the Hazardous Waste Management Service of the Oklahoma State Department of Health (OSDH). OSDH cannot rebut the conclusion of Kerr-McGee that the material is not a "listed" hazardous waste under RCRA. The wastes are subject to RCRA regulation by characteristic.

If you have any more questions concerning this matter you may reach me at (405)271-7168.

Sincerely,

Scott A. Thompson
Environmental Specialist Supervisor
Solid Waste Management Service

cc: Frank Marburger, Payne County Health Dept.
Roy Smith, Kerr-McGee
Rick Reiley, Citizen's Oversight Committee

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