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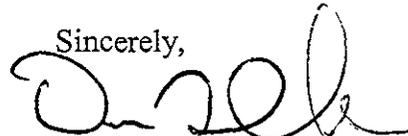
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Re: Sampling and Analysis Plan for Tank 241-Z-361

Dear Mr. Rasmussen:

This letter constitutes approval of the 241-Z-361 Sludge Characterization Sampling and Analysis Plan by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. If you have any questions feel free to contact me at 376-8631.

Sincerely,

Dennis Faulk
EPA Project Manager

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