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Re: Expansion of the Staging Area at the Environmental Restoration Disposal Facility (ERDF)

Dear Mr. Robertson:

In January 2007, a staging area was reestablished in the landfill above Cells 1 and 2 for the purpose of staging mercury- and chromium-contaminated soils awaiting treatment. Recently we have been discussing the need to expand the staging area to allow staging of lead-contaminated soil awaiting treatment. As we have discussed, the lead-contaminated soil will be located generally as shown on the enclosed figure which was prepared by your contractor. The lead-contaminated soil will be subject to the same requirements for berms and inspections as the mercury- and chromium-contaminated soil. This does not alter the requirement to have all waste removed from the staging area by August 1, 2009.

The 2002 ROD Amendment required that the design, construction, operation, and closure of the staging area at ERDF comply with existing general corrective action management unit (CAMU) regulations and also address the more stringent and more definitive provisions of the CAMU rule revisions published on January 22, 2002 (67 FR 2962). These are now included as 40 CFR 264.552 requirements. Among these requirements is a statement that EPA will specify the areal configuration of a CAMU. The 2002 ROD Amendment also notes that "inspection requirements for non-liquid-containing waste streams staged within the ERDF CAMU will be developed on a case-by-case basis and presented to EPA for review and approval."

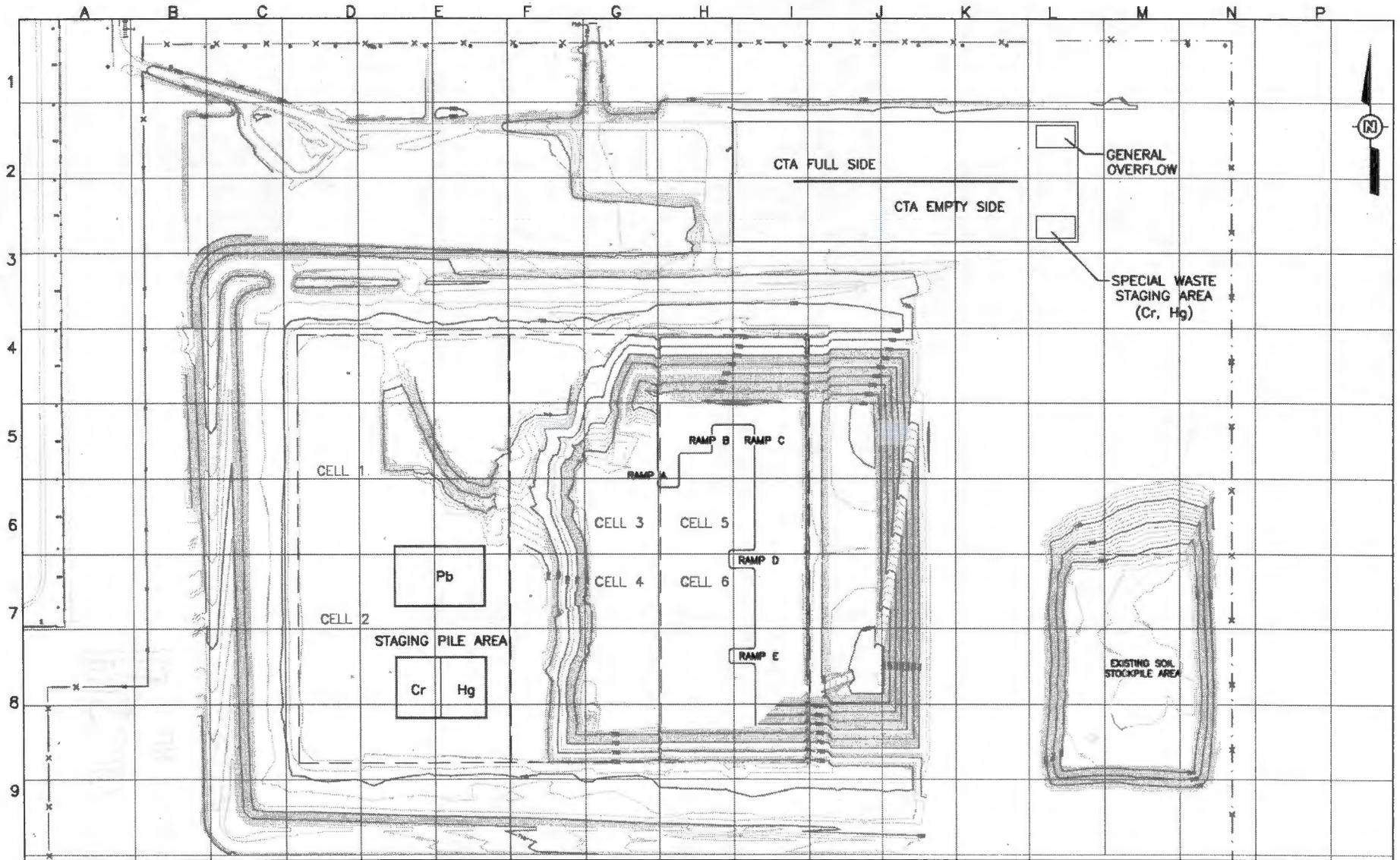
Accordingly, this letter documents EPA approval of the areal configuration of the expanded staging area at ERDF and the associated inspection requirements. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at (509) 376-3883.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

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