UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
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Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19107-4431

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CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. H. R. McCollum
Manager, Environmental Control
U.S. Steel, Clairton Works
400 State Street
Clairton, PA 15025-1855

Dear Mr. McCollum:

By letter dated January 22, 1997, U.S. Steel submitted to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) a request for approval of an alternative completion schedule for the pusher side collecting main "B" Battery repairs under provisions of Subpart L - National Emission Standards for Coke Oven Batteries.

We have completed our review of your request and, pursuant to 40 CFR §63.308(d), grant an alternative completion schedule for the pusher side collecting main "B" Battery repairs. This alternative completion schedule has been granted to enable U.S. Steel to expedite and optimize the already initiated second phase of the extensive rehabilitation program at the "B" Battery collecting mains, and explicitly applies to this phase of the program only, namely to reinforcing the corroded areas of the pusher side collecting main with steel plates. The approved alternative completion schedule for the second phase of the collecting mains "B" Battery repair is subject to the following terms and conditions:

- the pusher side collecting main "B" Battery rehabilitation program shall be completed as soon as possible, but in no event shall any stage of the work be completed later than March 31, 1997;

- provisions of §63.308(d) are thereby modified to the extent that any collecting main permanent repair shall be initiated as soon as practicable, but no later than 50 calendar days after initial detection of the leak. The repair shall be completed within 60 calendar days after initial detection of the leak. The modified provisions of §63.308(d) shall remain in effect through March 31, 1997.

- all provisions of §63.308(a),(b), and (c) shall apply.

Failure to comply with the terms and conditions of the alternative schedule for the pusher side collecting main "B" Battery repair may result in a civil action for a permanent or temporary injunction, assessment and recovery of a civil penalty of not more than $25,000 per day of violation, or both.

Should you have any questions, please contact Michael I. Ioff, of my staff, at (215) 566-2166.

Sincerely,

for Thomas J. Maslany, Director
Air, Radiation and Toxics Division

CC: Dr. Roger C. Westman, ACHD

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