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April 24, 2023 Sent by email only

Mr. Bob Meredith
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RE: Underground Injection Control (UIC) Permit Application R06-LA-0003
Class VI Pre-Construction Permit Application

Dear Mr. Meredith:

As R6 EPA continues to technically review your Class VI application, we would like to take this opportunity to start preparing for the next phase, the public comment period.

During our initial meetings, we expressed our concern and interest in maintaining our working relationship. One aspect of this was R6's development of the parallel OneDrive submittal for all protected information of the application. EPA acknowledges that certain aspects of your Class VI application may be sensitive in nature regarding competition during the early stages of the application.

As we discussed in our initial meetings, once the application reaches the draft permit to construct, you and fellow stakeholders agree that the application in its entirety will be released during the public comment period to allow the public an opportunity to review the complete draft application so that an informed decision can be made on all the relevant material.

Please respond acknowledging that all CBI claims are only being asserted prior to the public comment period and are waived or withdrawn thereafter. This will allow EPA to address a fully educated public response.

In the case of any concerns or questions, please reach out to Ian Ussery (ussery.ian@epa.gov).

Sincerely,

KENNETH JOHNSON

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