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Subject: Interim Measures No. 2, Batch Treatment Facility Decommissioning Activities
Update – Tanks and Equipment Decommissioning and Lay-Up and Removal of
Support Facilities

Dear Ms. Wolff-White:

This letter serves to update the United States Bureau of Land Management (BLM) on the progress of decommissioning the Interim Measures No. 2 (IM-2) Batch Treatment Facility. As described in the *MW-20 Bench Decommissioning Work Plan*, dated August 8, 2005 (Decommissioning Plan), Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) intended to clean and secure tanks and equipment associated with the batch treatment facility and remove unneeded batch treatment support facilities by March 31, 2006, considered the end of the first low river stage season following startup of the Interim Measure No. 3 (IM-3) treatment facility. The following activities have been completed to accomplish this phase of decommissioning:

- Tanks were triple-rinsed and cleaned by pressure-washing.
- The secondary containment was washed down.
- Support facilities, including the field trailer, equipment conex, field laboratory, generator, ice machine and potable water tanks were removed from the site. The port-o-potty and hand wash station were re-located to the IM-3 brine loading area for personnel loading trucks. A trash bin has also remained onsite for use during the ongoing investigation activities (i.e., drilling, in-situ pilot study).
- Batch treatment pumps, piping and appurtenances were covered and secured in-place.
- Security fencing was modified to reduce the footprint of the secured area on the MW-20 Bench similar to Figure 2-2 in the Decommissioning Plan.

The tanks used for the batch treatment facility that were cleaned as part of this phase of decommissioning remain available and have been periodically used for temporary storage of brine (e.g. over holiday periods, weekends if needed) as described in the

Decommissioning Plan and as authorized under Action Memorandum No. 3. The tanks will be re-inspected and re-cleaned (if needed) as part of final decommissioning activities.

As described in the Decommissioning Plan, final decommissioning of the IM-2 Batch Treatment Facility is scheduled to occur after the second low river stage season following startup of the Interim Measure No. 3 (IM-3) facility. PG&E will submit a final plan by March 31, 2007 to BLM and the California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) for final IM-2 Batch Treatment Facility decommissioning, future IM-3 brine storage needs on the MW-20 bench, and restoration of the area. As outlined in the Decommissioning Plan, it is expected that decommissioning activities associated with the IM-2 Batch Treatment Facility will be completed by June 30, 2007.

If you have any questions regarding the decommissioning activities, please call me at (760) 326-5582.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Matten John for Curt Russell".

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