

**Monthly Progress Report for Corrective Actions Prescribed in Attachment A of the Settlement Agreement and Stipulated Final Order, Dated January 22, 2016, NO. HWB-14-21 (CO)**

Paragraph 31 of the Settlement Agreement and Stipulated Final Order (Settlement Agreement) states:

*The WIPP corrective actions and corrective action schedules are included as Attachment A. The Respondents shall keep NMED apprised of progress made on corrective actions found in Attachment A on a monthly basis. The Respondents shall complete all the corrective actions contained in Attachment A and submit the required Evidence of Completion to NMED for approval within sixty (60) calendar days of the effective date of this Settlement Agreement, unless an alternate date is approved by NMED in accordance with paragraph 53.*

In accordance with Paragraph 31, the U.S. Department of Energy and Nuclear Waste Partnership LLC provided a response on March 18, 2016, *Information Required by Paragraph 31 of the Settlement Agreement and Stipulated Final Order, Dated January 22, 2016, HWB 14-21 (CO)*. In accordance with Paragraph 53 of the Settlement Agreement, work plans were included as attachments to the response with proposed alternate completion dates for some corrective actions. The alternate completion dates were approved by the NMED on April 22, 2016. In accordance with Paragraph 31 of the Settlement Agreement, the following is the current status of the four work plans with approved revised submittal dates:

**Title:** Work Plan for Live Fire Training

**Attachment #:** 25

- **Date as provided in the work plan:** June 1, 2016 - Submit training documentation to the NMED; October 30, 2017 – Submit training documentation for the biennial refresher to the NMED.
- **Current Status:** The lesson plan for SAF-502F, “Live Fire Extinguisher,” is in the process of being finalized. It is anticipated that this curriculum will be approved by April 29, 2016. Upon formal approval of SAF-502F, the course content will be incorporated into the initial 40-Hour Inexperienced Miner course (SAF-501), and it will be offered to general employees as a stand-alone course. The “Live Fire Extinguisher” refresher course, SAF-502FR, remains in the scoping process, which is part of the initial process development.
- **Discussion:** This corrective action is on schedule to meet the completion dates stated in the work plan.

**Title:** Work Plan for Modification to Incorporate Live Fire Training into the Permit

**Attachment #:** 26

- **Date as provided in the work plan:** May 6, 2016 - Submit Permit Modification Notification for training to the NMED; October 6, 2017 – Submit Permit Modification Notification for refresher training to the NMED.

- **Current Status:** The Class 1 Permit Modification Notification was transmitted to the NMED on April 27, 2016. This modification incorporates “Live Fire Extinguisher” training into the Permit. A Class 1 Permit Modification Notification to incorporate “Live Fire Extinguisher” refresher training into the Permit is pending completion of the course material for SAF-502FR.
- **Discussion:** With the April 27, 2016, transmittal of the Class 1 Permit Modification Notification, a portion of this corrective action has been completed. The remainder of this corrective action is on schedule to meet the completion date stated in the work plan.

**Title:** Work Plan to Incorporate Supplemental Ventilation System into the Permit

**Attachment #:** 36b

- **Date as provided in the work plan:** June 16, 2017 – Submit Permit Modification Notification to the NMED.
- **Current Status:** The draft Class 1 Permit Modification Notification to incorporate the Supplemental Ventilation System into the Permit has been completed and is undergoing internal review.
- **Discussion:** This corrective action is on schedule to meet the completion date stated in the work plan.

**Title:** Work Plan to Complete the RCRA Contingency Plan Modifications to the Permit

**Attachment #:** 41

- **Date as provided in the work plan:** June 3, 2016 – Submit Permit Modification Request to the NMED.
- **Current Status:** Pre-submittal meetings on the draft Class 2 Permit Modification request were held in Carlsbad and Albuquerque during March 2016. Comments resulting from the meetings are in the process of being addressed. It is anticipated that the modification request will be finalized and ready for transmittal to the NMED by early May 2016.
- **Discussion:** This corrective action is on schedule to meet the completion date stated in the work plan.