

H. 532 Study Support

**Monthly Progress Report
Period Covering August 1, 2006 to August 31, 2006**

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Overview:

The Section 5 RFP describes two Phases for the Section 5 study, with six tasks delineated for Phase I. These tasks are as follows (as paraphrased from the RFP):

Phase I: Initial Evaluation and Review

- i. Kickoff meeting
- ii. Define parameters / scope of study
- iii. Conceptualize data needs and expectations re: study parameters
- iv. Analyze existing data and studies
- v. Phase I report
- vi. Development of Phase II recommendations

Phase II: Further Studies

Progress on Phase I Tasks:

Activities and Milestones

- Phase I Task iv. progressed on all study topics
 - Technical review of materials continued on all topics
 - Meetings with Omya consultants were set up to discuss various topics; the following meetings were held in August
 - A meeting on noise was held on 8/17 at the Omya facility. Attendees included Lawrence Copley of the project team, Jason Ross and David Towers of HMMH, and Mike Laurent and Rob Tikoft (for parts) of Omya.
 - A meeting was held with Omya on 8/23 to discuss chemical use in Omya processes. Attendees included Peter Zeeb, David Adilman, Laura Green, and Steve Zemba of the project team and Phil Goss, Mike Laurent, Rob Tikoft of Omya.
 - A meeting was held on 8/23 at Omya on hydrogeology and groundwater contamination. Attendees included Peter Zeeb, David Adilman, and Steve Roy of the project team, Meddie Perry of Pioneer Environmental, and Mike Laurent and Rob Tikoft (for parts) of Omya. Included walking tour of Omya property.
 - Two meetings were held on 8/24 at Omya on hydrogeology and groundwater modeling. A morning meeting on hydrogeology was attended by Peter Zeeb and David Adilman of the project team, Meddie Perry of Pioneer Environmental, Jeffy Noyes of Handel & Noyes, and Mike Laurent of Omya. The afternoon meeting on groundwater modeling was attended by Peter Zeeb and David Adilman of the project team, Charlie Head, Eric Steinhauser and Barret Cole of Sanborn Head Associates and Mike Laurent of Omya.

- A conference call on toxicology was held on 8/28. Participants included Laura Green and Sarah Armstrong of the project team, Robert Matthews of Keller and Heckman, and Mike Laurent of Omya.
- A meeting was held on 8/23 at the Rutland Act 250 office between Steve Zemba of the project team and Bill Burke of the Act 250 program.
- Preliminary dates for meetings and Phase I deliverables were discussed and agreed upon with CLF Ventures.

A completion matrix of Phase I tasks follows (tasks completed in previous periods are shaded)

Phase I Task	Task Activities			Estimated Completion
	Initiated	Progressed	Completed	
i. Kickoff meeting			X	100%
ii. Define parameters / scope of study		X	X	100%
iii. Conceptualize data needs and expectations re: study parameters		X	X	100%
iv. Analyze existing data and studies		X		20%
v. Phase I report				
vi. Development of Phase II recommendations				

Project Issues:

- Outstanding Issues
 - I2: A modified draft of the Phase I scoping (questions and data needs) document was provided to CLF Ventures for comment during the previous period
 - I3: A proposed schedule for Phase I deliverables required resolution of comments with CLF Ventures.
- Issues Identified During the Period
 - No new issues
- Issues Resolved During Period
 - I2: The Phase I scoping (questions and data needs) document is operationally under implementation.
 - I3: A Phase I schedule was developed with feedback from CLF Ventures.

Anticipated Work:

Work on Task iv. will continue. Anticipated activities include additional meetings with Omya consultants, document review, meetings with regulators and associated file reviews, and preparation for a 10/2 meeting with the Oversight Team.