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Ted Miller Black Hills Aero 420 Aviation Place Spearfish, SD 57783

RE: Underground Injection Control Program (UIC)
Class V Well Closure Plan Approval
Docket No. SDWA-08-2010-0081

Dear Mr. Miller:

EPA received a letter from you on October 25, 2010, outlining how Black Hills Aero plans to close its UIC Class V well. In this document, and a subsequent phone conversation on October 26, 2010, you stated that the floor drain located at 420 Aviation Place, Spearfish, South Dakota will be permanently plugged. The drain and associated oil/water separator will be disconnected from the drainfield and filled with enough concrete that they cannot be reopened in the future and no liquid will be able to enter the septic system.

Based on the information provided in your letter and phone conversation, we have determined that the proposed closure method is protective of underground sources of drinking water. Black Hills Aero may proceed with the closure of the Class V well.

The deadline for having the Class V well closed is outlined in the Proposed Compliance Order, Penalty Complaint, and Notice of Opportunity for Hearing.

You are required to send notification of closure to EPA within 30 days of closure. In that notice, please include the date of closure; a written description of the closure; receipts from any contractors involved in the well closure; photos documenting that the floor drains have been permanently plugged; and any other documents that evidence the closure. Send the notice and documentation to:

Clark Davenport EPA Region 8, 8ENF-UFO 1595 Wynkoop Street Denver, Colorado 80202 If you have any further questions concerning the well closure requirements, please contact Cynthia Peterson at 303-312-6879. For any questions you may have about the case or legal process, please contact Charles Figur, Senior Enforcement Attorney, at 303-312-6915.

Sincerely,

Cynthia Peterson

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Charles Figur

Senior Enforcement Attorney