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BEFORE THE UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY ENVIRONMENTAL APPEALS BOARD STATES ENVIRONMENTAL APPEALS BOARD

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| Environmental Disposal |) | UIC Appeal No. 07-03 |
| Systems, Inc. |) | 11 |
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| Underground Injection Control |) | |
| Permits MI-163-1W-C007 and |) | |
| MI-163-1W-C008 |) | |
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UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY, REGION 5 RESPONSE TO PETITIONERS' REPLY BRIEF

At the request of the Board, on January 16, 2008, the United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5 (U.S. EPA) filed a response to the Petition for Review of the U.S. EPA's decision to terminate two Underground Injection Control (UIC) permits issued to Environmental Disposal Systems, Inc. (EDS). The Petitioners filed a Motion for Leave to File Reply and on March 18, 2008, the Board issued an Order accepting Petitioners' proposed Reply for filing. The Board's Order also offered U.S. EPA the opportunity to file a response, if necessary, by April 2, 2008.

After reviewing the Petitioners' Reply, U.S. EPA does not believe any new issues have been raised that warrant a response. The U.S. EPA stands by its existing filings, which explain why the Petition for Review did not raise any issues of fact, law or policy meriting review by the Board.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I delivered a copy of the foregoing United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5 Response to Petitioners' Reply Brief to the persons designated below, on the date below, by postage prepaid first class mail addressed to:

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I have also filed the foregoing United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5 Response to Petitioners' Reply Brief and this Certificate of Service with the Clerk of the Environmental Appeals Board, on the date below, electronically, and by mail in an envelope addressed to:

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Clerk of the Board Environmental Appeals Board Colorado Building 1341 G Street, N.W. Suite 600 Washington, D.C. 20005

Dated this 1st day of April, 2008.

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