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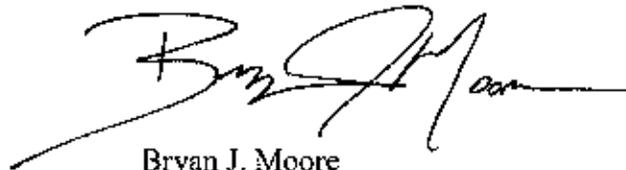
Ms. Eurika Durr, Clerk of the Board  
Environmental Appeals Board (MC 1103B)  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
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Re: EAB Appeal No. RCRA (3008) 05-04  
Docket Nos. RCRA-06-2003-0912 & RCRA-02-2004-7102  
In the Matter of Howmet Corporation  
Petition for Oral Argument

Dear Ms. Durr:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced docket, please find one original and five copies of Howmet Corporation's Petition for Oral Argument.

Respectfully submitted,



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

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	)	<b>EAB APPEAL NO. RCRA (3008) 05-04</b>
<b>HOWMET CORPORATION</b>	)	
	)	<b>DOCKET NOS. RCRA-06-2003-0912 &amp;</b>
	)	<b>RCRA-02-2004-7102</b>
<b>APPELLANT</b>	)	

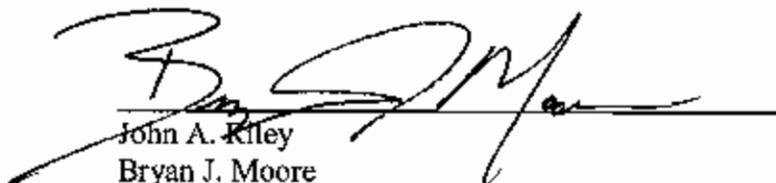
**HOWMET CORPORATION'S PETITION FOR ORAL ARGUMENT**

COMES NOW, Appellant Howmet Corporation ("*Howmet*") and, pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 22.30(d), files this petition for oral argument in the above-captioned matter. Counsel for Howmet conferred with counsel for appellees U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 2 and Region 6 (collectively, "*EPA*") prior to filing this petition. Counsel for EPA indicated that the agency, at this time, has not reached a decision on whether it will support or oppose this petition.

Howmet requests an opportunity for oral argument on the issues presented in Howmet's brief in support of its appeal and EPA's brief in response. While Howmet believes that it clearly and thoroughly demonstrated in its brief that it is entitled to a decision in its favor, Howmet submits that the issues raised in this case are of the type that merit oral argument, so that the parties can respond to any questions the Environmental Appeals Board ("*EAB*") may have. Specifically, this appeal involves issues of regulatory construction that may be more easily explained through oral argument than through competing briefs.

For the foregoing reasons, Howmet respectfully requests that the EAB set a date for oral argument in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that Appellant Howmet Corporation's Petition for Oral Argument was served on the following via express mail, facsimile, electronic mail, and/or certified mail on this the 9th day of December, 2005:

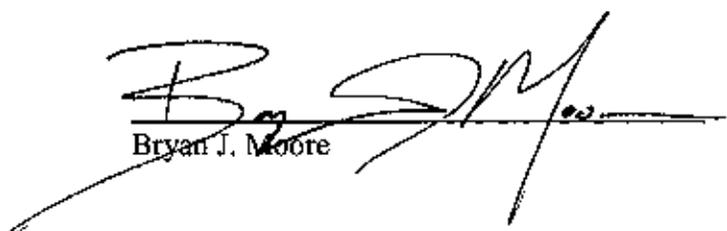
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