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Dear Mr. Chew:

Pursuant to Title 17 of the Pima County Code (§17.12.190.A.2), we are enclosing the TEP – Irvington proposed permit for your review. This is a significant revision to the permit adding mercury monitoring conditions required by a Consent Order that was signed between ADEQ and TEP – Irvington on February 18, 2009. An addendum to the Technical Support document is included as well. A copy of the application dated June 19, 2009 was previously submitted to EPA Region IX by TEP. PDEQ is enclosing the application and Consent Order.

As discussed previously, PDEQ requested that the EPA 45 day review be concurrent with the public notice for the proposed permit so that we could issue the permit by June 30, 2010 as required by the Consent Order. This request was made since the Consent Order does not affect any federal or local regulations. The reasons for the Consent Order are explained in the Order itself and is attached. Local public notice for this revision begins on May 20, 2010 and will include publication notices in the Tucson, Arizona area.

We would appreciate prompt notification if you determine, at the end of the public review period, that you have no objection to our issuing the permit.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at (520) 243-7400.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mukonde Chama".

Mukonde Chama, P.E.
Air Permits Supervisor

Enclosure: Proposed Final Permit, Consent Order, Significant Revision Application and TSD documents for TEP – Irvington.