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Andrew Chew
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RE: ASARCO LLC Significant Revision Proposed Final Permit Review
Air Quality Operating Permit #2026
Permit Action #2026-11P

Dear Mr. Chew:

Pursuant to Title 17 of the Pima County Code (§17.12.190.A.2), we are enclosing the ASARCO LLC, Mission Complex proposed final permit for your review. This is a significant revision to the existing 5-year permit. Local public notice for ASARCO LLC, Mission Complex begins today September 27, 2011 and includes publication notices in the Tucson, Arizona area. PDEQ will forward any comments received during the 30-day public comment period.

Additionally, PDEQ requested that EPA's 45 day review be concurrent with the 30-day public notice of the significant revision. EPA approved concurrent review of the significant revision on September 26, 2011 and will follow the outline included in the approval email.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Rupesh Patel 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 for ASARCO LLC, Mission Complex, South Mill Expansion and PTE documents.