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Debbie Kring
EPA Office of Public Affairs
11201 Renner Blvd.
Lenexa, KS 66219

Re: Proposed Record of Decision (ROD) Amendment Plan
Oronogo-Duenweg Mining Belt Superfund Site
Operable Unit 1
Jasper County, Missouri

Dear Ms. Kring:

The Environmental Task Force of Jasper and Newton Counties (ETF) was established by the City of Joplin, Missouri, at the time the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) began the clean-up of the Oronogo-Duenweg Mining Belt Superfund Site. The initial mission of the ETF was to serve as a communication link between the City of Joplin/community and EPA as the clean-up proceeded and to monitor the clean-up operations. The ETF is extremely pleased with the relations with EPA, and with Mark Doolan, Project Manager, and with the clean-up progress made to date.

The ETF concurs that this is an appropriate time to review and amend the Record of Decision (ROD). The ETF has carefully reviewed the proposed changes to the ROD. The Plan appears to have been properly re-evaluated. The ETF concurs with the conclusions drawn and the recommended changes.

The Environmental Task Force of Jasper and Newton Counties recommend that the Environmental Protection Agency approve the Proposed Record of Decision (ROD) Amendment Plan Oronogo-Duenweg Mining Belt Superfund Site-Operable Unit 1, Jasper County, Missouri.

Respectfully submitted,
Environmental Task Force of Jasper and Newton Counties

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