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**RE: Completion of the Feasibility Study and Draft Proposed Plan for the Holden Mine Site**

Dear Dave:

Enclosed is the Draft Proposed Plan for the Holden Mine Site, along with the Addendum to the Agencies 2007 Supplemental Feasibility Study (ASFS), and the Agencies comments on the 13M Evaluation Report and supporting documents.

The Agencies prepared the ASFS to present relevant information not included in the Draft Alternative 13M Evaluation Report, update the remedial action objectives (RAOs), describe three remedial alternatives developed after the 2007 Supplemental Feasibility Study (Alternatives 11M, 13M, and 14), and evaluate these three additional alternatives. The Agencies developed Alternative 14 to address certain Alternative 13M deficiencies (related to protection of surface water and remediating soils to achieve soil cleanup standards), as provided for in Paragraph 36 of the AOC.

The Agencies accept a final Feasibility Study that consists of:

- The Draft Final Feasibility Study (URS 2004) and Intalco's Alternative 9 Description (URS 2005), as modified and supplemented by the Agencies' Comments on the Draft Final Feasibility Study (Forest Service 2007) and the Agencies' comments on Intalco's Alternative 9 Description (Forest Service 2007);
- The SFS (Forest Service 2007);
- Intalco's Draft Alternative 13M Evaluation Report as modified and supplemented by the Agencies comments (enclosed);
- The ASFS.



We look forward to meeting with Intalco and Holden Village on April 13, 2010, to discuss the Agencies proposed remedy and listen to your concerns in advance of the Agencies releasing the Proposed Plan to the public.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures (3 electronic pdf files)

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