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Mr. Robert Krueger
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Subject: Truax Oil Spill, Mile Post 118 Southbound Interstate 5
OERS: 2006-0736

Dear Mr. Krueger:

This memo is in appreciation of work performed by First Strike Environmental Company (FSE) and their employees during the cleanup operation required to remediate the spill site at mile post 118 Southbound located on Interstate 5 in Douglas County, Oregon.

The spill site was a result of a Truax Oil tanker transporting 11,000 gallons of petroleum product. The tanker overturned on March 11, 2006, causing it to catch fire in a work zone occupied by CH2M-Hill. The construction zone was a result of a major bridge replacement governed by Oregon Bridge Delivery Partners (OBDP).

The clean up operation required cooperation with CH2M-Hill to prevent delays to the bridge construction project which could have resulted in costly delays to Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT), OBDP and CH2M-Hill.

FSE is to be commended for the cooperation shown to remove both southbound lanes of Interstate 5 and the replacement of the roadway to ODOT specifications. This required sub-contracting with numerous contractors such as Shaw Environmental for analytical testing, Huffman and Wright for the replacement of the sub-grade and LTM for sub-grade testing and asphalt replacement.

The project required the removal of approximately 11,123 tons of petroleum contaminated soil, installation of numerous monitoring wells, and installation of a 110 foot cut off trench placed at the toe of the spill which recovered approximately 159,878 gallons of contaminated ground water that was treated on site and disposed of at an off site facility. This was required to prevent ground water contamination from entering Roberts Creek.

All time lines were met and no delays were caused by the clean up operation. Work performed by FSE was within ODOT specifications. ODOT would like to thank you for the cooperation and professionalism shown during the remediation of the Truax Oil release.

Sincerely,

Kenny Camp, Region 3 Hazardous Material Coordinator
Darrin Neavoll, District 7 Transportation Maintenance Manager

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