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Re: Request for Extension – Addendum to the Field Sampling Plan Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study USS Lead Superfund Site, Operable Unit 2, East Chicago, Indiana

Dear Ms. Patterson and Mr. Petroff:

Pursuant to Paragraph 105 of the Administrative Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent (ASAOC) for Operable Unit (OU) 2 at the USS Lead Superfund Site in East Chicago, Indiana, USS Lead requests a 28-day extension to submit an addendum to the field sampling plan and associated documents in accordance with the comments received from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), dated May 13, 2024, and additional discussions with USEPA and IDEM.

The extension is necessary due to the significant amount of time required to complete the data gap analysis, develop media-specific data quality objectives, prepare an addendum to the field sampling plan to meet those objectives, compile information from the analytical laboratory for additional target analytes, prepare additional standard operating procedures for new sampling materials and methods, and other activities to address USEPA comments.

With the extension, the addendum to the field sampling plan and associated documents will be submitted to USEPA and IDEM by July 10, 2024.

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If you have any questions regarding this request for an extension or other project related matters, please do not hesitate to contact me at tim.barber@erm.com or 216-526-2965.

Respectfully yours,

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