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Dear Sirs:

SUBJECT: Gelman Sciences, Inc. Remedial Action  
Plan for Modification of Purging Frequency, Western System, January 2008

We have completed our review of the above subject submittal. Please see the enclosed Interoffice Communication from Mr. James Cogger, dated March 27, 2008.

As discussed by Mr. Cogger, we do not agree with Pall Life Sciences' (PLS) proposal to reduce the frequency of the batch purging. We acknowledge that the concentration of 1,4-dioxane in this area is relatively low; however, the concentration of the plume has not declined as previously predicted by PLS. PLS now suggests there is some relation between the concentration of the plume and groundwater elevation fluctuations, but has not provided any reason for this suggested relationship. We do not believe sufficient evidence was presented to support this hypothesis. If it were true, it would support our concern that the complete nature and extent of the plume is not understood.

Under these circumstances, we cannot agree to a fifty percent reduction in purging. We are not requiring more intensive remedial efforts at this time, and believe that monthly batch purging of contaminated groundwater should continue. We will evaluate the data over the next six months. We would then be willing to consider any additional evidence and analysis PLS may provide to support a different course of action.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

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