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Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety  
Attn: Minerals Division  
1313 Sherman Street, Room 215  
Denver, CO 80203

**Re: Response to: Nahcolite Project, Permit No. M-1983-194 Notice of Receipt  
Technical Revision No. 37, Completeness Notification and Request for  
Reclamation Cost Estimate.**

Natural Soda LLC (NS) responds to the DRMS correspondence dated May 13, 2015:

- The estimated cost to plug and abandon (P&A) the 15H, 16H, and 17H well pairs is: \$210,000 (6 wells at \$35,000 each). Please note that the EPA currently holds bonding amounts to cover the costs of all injection well P&A.
- The estimated cost to reclaim the increased disturbance associated with the 15/16/17 pad and access roads (5.1 acres) is: \$61,000
- The estimated volume of overburden (well pad) is 13,153 cubic yards.
- The estimated volume of topsoil (road and well pad) is 3,407 cubic yards.

Should you have any questions or comments, please contact me at (970) 254-1224 or (970) 216-1010 (c), or Kirk Daehling at (888) 464-7632 ext. 14.

Regards,

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