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Kirk Daehling Natural Soda LLC <u>kdaehling@naturalsoda.com</u>

> Re: EPA UIC Area Permit CO30358-00000 Add Well to Area Permit: 18H-IR-W (CO30358-12525) Rio Blanco County, Colorado

Dear Mr. Daehling:

Natural Soda LLC's (NS's) request to drill and construct the 18H-IR-W well as an injection well under the NS Area Permit is hereby authorized by the Environmental Protection Agency Region 8. The addition of the proposed 18H-IR-W injection well is being made under the authority of 40 CFR §144.33(c) and terms of the NS Area Permit CO30358-00000 and subsequent modifications.

Please be aware that NS does not have authorization to begin injection operations until all conditions in the Area Permit and subsequent modifications, Part II, Section B. Requirements Prior to Commencing Injection have been fulfilled, and NS has received written authorization from the Director to begin injection.

Please submit the required information to William Gallant by email at gallant.william@epa.gov. If you have any questions, please contact William Gallant at (303) 312-6455 or (800) 227-8917, extension 312-6455 or by email.

Sincerely

Sarah Bahrman, Manager Safe Drinking Water Branch cc: Bill Mills, BLM Travis Marshall, CDRMS Amy Yeldell, CDRMS Jerry Daub, Daub & Associates