

## CON 12-15 Doc #16739 STATE OF IOWA

THOMAS J. VILSACK, GOVERNOR SALLY J. PEDERSON, LT. GOVERNOR

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

JEFFREY R. VONK, DIRECTOR

January 23, 2003

Atul M. Salhotra Risk Assessment and Management Group, Inc. 7457 Harwin Drive, Suite 238 Houston, TX 77036

Dear Dr. Atul:

The lowa Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) has received a copy of the December 2002 report on the Natural Gas Pipeline of America site in Knoxville, Iowa. Your cover letter was addressed to Shelley Brodie of the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region VII and copied to Stuart Schmitz, Iowa Department of Natural Resources. The purpose of this letter is to inform you that the IDNR is now the lead oversight agency for this site. Secondly, the Contaminated Sites Section has a new supervisor, Cal Lundberg.

In your cover letter you requested an opportunity to arrange a conference call or meeting to discuss the closure of this site. The IDNR will contact you as soon as we have had the opportunity to review the report. We hope to respond to your request in February 2003 to permit the continuation of the semi-annual groundwater sampling at the facility, if necessary.

Please direct all further communications on this site to me at 515-281-4117.

Sincerely,

Lambert A. Nnadi

Environmental Specialist Snr., Contaminated Sites Section

Cc: Shelley Brodie, USEPA Region 7, Kansas City, KS
Cal Lundberg, Supervisor, Contaminated Sites Section