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Baird

I spoke with our contractor, Jeff Minchak with CH2MHill, concerning the status of the repairs to the drilling rig being used at ST-106. Jeff stated that the problem has been evaluated and parts are being flown in tomorrow, with repair to be completed tomorrow as well. If successful the rig will be remobilized late in the day tomorrow, although drilling will probably not resume as drilling cannot be conducted during the weekend due to security requirements at the Fuels Facility. This means drilling would resume on Monday at the earliest with the rig being repaired.

Concerning a replacement drill rig, the rig would have to come from California, and would not be able to leave until early next week due to the necessary permits required, which would result in the rig arriving late next week, with drilling to resume upon arrival.

Based on the proposed repairs to the rig being used at the site, repair and use of that rig is the best choice at this point in time, with drilling to resume on Monday.

Jeff Minchak will coordinate the status of the repairs and drilling with you while I am out of the office.

//Signed//
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