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MEMORANDUM

TO: Joseph Tikvart, Chief  
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FROM: Douglas M. Skie, Chief  
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SUBJECT: ASARCO, East Helena Overall Modeling Protocol

Per my June 20, 1990 memorandum, I am sending you the overall modeling protocol for the ASARCO, East Helena Lead SIP. John Notar is reviewing the document and will telefax his comments to you as soon as possible.

As I had mentioned in the June 20 letter, we are scheduled to meet with the State of Montana and ASARCO on August 1, 1990. So that we can adequately prepare for this meeting, we would appreciate any comments you might have to the modeling protocol by July 25, 1990.

As we had indicated in our June 20, 1990 memorandum, we believe it would be beneficial to have someone from your Branch at the August 1, 1990 meeting for several reasons: 1) We know that the State and ASARCO will be proposing deviations from EPA modeling protocols. If the State is to meet the schedule for submittal of the final SIP to EPA, EPA must respond expeditiously to proposed deviations. Having someone from your Branch at this meeting, who can make decisions, will expedite EPA's response to the State. 2) The interest in Lead SIPs and sources has skyrocketed recently. Decisions made for the East Helena Lead SIP will set national precedent. Headquarters direct involvement in East Helena will be beneficial.

Please contact Laurie Ostrand at FTS 330-1814 or John Notar at FTS 330-1755 if you have any question.

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