10.0 Abandonment and Decommissioning Plan

The contractor is required to complete the clean up and remediate all of the areas in which their activities took place, as described in this Project Description. Following completion of the clean up activities, all vehicles and equipment, remaining fuel, supplies and construction camp are to be removed from the site by the contractor, which typically coincides with the annual sea-lift.

The following sections provide a summary of the closure activities that will occur at the completion of the clean up at the FOX-3 site.

Contractor Demobilization: Contractor demobilization includes the dismantling and removal from the site of all vehicles and equipment, remaining fuel, supplies and construction camp, clean up of the site, and transportation of labour from the site. Upon removal of the construction camp, the contractor is to grade the area to match the surrounding terrain and to ensure positive drainage. Grading is also done at the sewage lagoon and borrow areas. Existing roads are left as-is.

Demolition: Upon the completion of the demolition work, the contractor is to remove any remaining debris and leave the work site clean. Building sites and all areas affected by demolition work are graded. The areas surrounding remaining concrete and timber foundations are reshaped so that the top of the gravel is flush with the top of the foundation. Any voids or holes in the surface of the foundation are filled with gravel.

Contaminated Soil Excavation: In areas of contaminated soil excavation, the excavations are filled with granular material, compacted and graded to match the existing ground surface.

Landfarm Closure: At the conclusion of landfarm operations, additional granular material is placed to provide a compacted cover. The surface area is graded to a minimum slope of 2-4% to promote surface water run-off. Groundwater wells installed around the perimeter of the landfarm are decommissioned, including backfill with grout.

Non-Hazardous Waste Landfill: A final lift of granular material will be placed, compacted and the surface graded to avoid water ponding and minimize infiltration at the completion of landfill operations. Following completion of the landfill closure, groundwater monitoring wells are installed to facilitate monitoring of the landfill performance.

Tier II Soil Disposal Facility: Placement and compaction of the final cover of the landfill also includes grading to promote drainage away from the landfill. Following closure of the Tier II Soil Disposal Facility, groundwater monitoring wells and thermistor strings are installed to facilitate monitoring of the facility's performance.