Sudbury Soils Study Technical Committee Meeting #46 Key Progress & Decision Summary for Meeting of December 8, 2005

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Volume I – Background: SARA is currently addressing comments received.

Volume II – HHRA: This technical session was held on December 7th and SARA noted that there were a lot of issues clarified during these discussions which was very helpful. As of January 31, 2006, all TC agencies have provided comments on draft #1 of the HHRA. The SARA Group is now reviewing all comments. It is expected to take at lease eight weeks to address all issues.

Evaluation of HHRA Model: The question was raised as to whether TERA will be reviewing the model. It was suggested that Ron Brecher be asked to verify the model and if TERA wanted to review it as part of their process it would be acceptable. It was requested that once Dr. Brecher completed his review, that a written report be tabled with the TC. It was also noted that TERA should then be advised that this process has been undertaken and validated.

Reaffirmation/Clarification of Report Schedule: The importance of this schedule was reiterated.

Volume III – ERA: Objective 1 SARA indicated that this was the most challenging of all the ERA objectives to address. It was stated that it was a large painstaking job, but that they are pleased with the way it is coming together.

Objectives 2 and 3: SARA noted that these two chapters are ready to go to the TC.

Objective 4: Internal SARA Group comments have been received on the draft and are presently being incorporated. The ERA Volume III is nearly complete

Volume IV: It was suggested that this report may be appropriate as it could deal with risk management but it was agreed that the writing of this report is not the SARA Group's responsibility as it would involve developing remediation options, addressing legalities, economies, etc.

Communications Sub-Committee Update: The Chair of the CSC outlined the Communications Plan as developed by the CSC and Frontline Communications. It was noted that this was a living document and will change as the process moves forward.

Glossarv:

SSS - Sudbury Soils Study TC – Technical Committee PAC - Public Advisory Committee WG - Technical Committee Working Group

CSC - Communications Sub-Committee