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Dear Ms. Clark:

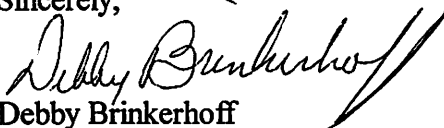
I have clarified the State of New Mexico's position on the issue of off specification or out of date drugs that are returned to Pharmaceutical Recovery Services, Inc. from the pharmacy. The hazardous waste drugs must be manifested from your facility to Pharmaceutical Recovery Services, Inc.

These drugs must be treated as a hazardous waste in the pharmacy, which includes putting them in a closed and labeled container. A Land Disposal Restriction form must accompany the manifest.

Then the drugs must be shipped using a hazardous waste transporter that has an EPA ID number.

Should you have any questions about this issue please contact me at 505-827-1512.

Sincerely,


Debby Brinkerhoff
Environmental Specialist