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Dear Mr. Dougherty:

This letter notifies you of the completion of staffing for Controlled Air Incinerator (CAI) operations at Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL). The Department of Energy's (DOE) submittal of this letter is required to provide verification of our compliance with milestone number CAI 100 contained in the Federal Facilities Compliance Agreement (FFCA). This FFCA has just been signed addressing hazardous and radioactive mixed wastes pursuant to the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA). The FFCA specified a due date for this milestone of 30 days after the effective date of the agreement (April 14, 1994); the notice letter is required to be transmitted to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) within five business days of the milestone date.

LANL has identified a staffing level of 16 personnel as the minimum team size necessary for full-time operation of the CAI (assuming four operating shifts with four personnel operating the CAI during each shift). Ten of the required staff are on board and currently have completed general LANL site worker training and safety training, and are completing RCRA hazardous waste operations training. LANL's CAI-specific training program for incinerator start-up and operations is currently being developed, and equipment installation and document preparation continue in anticipation of the cold testing and trial burn phases. Employment offers have been accepted by four individuals who are being reassigned from other positions within LANL. Employment offers presently are being extended to the remaining two individuals.

Information regarding other CAI milestones is contained in the FFCA Annual Report (milestone AR 100). Supporting documentation will be retained in DOE and LANL files to support the FFCA, and will be made available to EPA and the State of New Mexico upon



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request. Please contact Jon Mack of my staff at (505) 665-5026 if you have any questions regarding this activity.

Sincerely,

  
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