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CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

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P. O. Box 26110
Santa Fe, NM 87505

Dear Ms. Archuletta:

Subject: Notification of Intent to Ship Site Treatment Plan (STP) Covered Waste to
Non-Commercial Treatment Facility

The purpose of this letter is to notify the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) of our intent to treat wastes at the Waste Experimental Reduction Facility (WERF), Idaho National Engineering Laboratory (INEL). The STP for the Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) requires that the Department of Energy (DOE) and the University of California (UC) notify NMED by letter the first time they intend to use a non-commercial treatment option not previously reported to NMED. The first shipment will include the Isopropyl Alcohol (IPA) wastes (MWIR Waste ID LA-W901, CPV Section 3.1.1, page 4). This waste stream consists of 50 items from this treatability group, as well as two (2) remaining drums of scintillation fluid wastes (MWIR Waste ID LA-W902, CPV Section 3.1.1, page 4).

INEL included 266 cubic meters of LANL's covered waste and 122 cubic meters of LANL's future-generated mixed waste in its STP, and has briefed the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (IDEQ) that LANL intends to ship waste to its facility. The INEL facility presents a cost-effective alternative to commercial options for several LANL waste streams, in particular, as much as \$150,000 in treatment cost savings can be realized for the IPAs if shipment in mid-June 1996 can be accomplished. This provides a direct benefit in accelerating treatment of this waste stream some six months in advance of its scheduled compliance date, and allows better use of budgeted dollars for disposal of additional waste.

Notification of both IDEQ and INEL is required for this shipment. This is being accomplished by copy of this letter to each of these parties.



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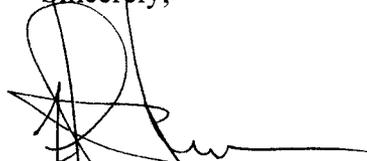
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If you have any questions regarding this shipment, please contact me at (505) 665-5042;
or Ken Hargis, LANL, at (505) 667-2347.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "H.L. 'Jody' Plum". The signature is stylized with a large, looped initial "H" and a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

H.L. "Jody" Plum

Office of Environment and Projects

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cc:

D. Rasch, ID

J. D. Harris, INEL

B. Monson, IDEQ