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RE: FY97 Annual Update to the STP Compliance Plan Volume and Background Volume

Dear Mr. Plum and Mr. Hargis:

The purpose of this letter is to acknowledge the receipt in March 1998 of the 1997 Annual Update to the Site Treatment Plan Compliance Plan Volume (CPV) and Background Volume (BV) of the Federal Facility Compliance Order. There were a few comments and items of clarification that I had upon review of the document. These are listed below.

Background Volume Comments

1. page ii. **Table ES-2:MTRU Inventory Summary**, under 'contribution', 'MTRU Inventory Reported in Revision 5', should read *MTRU Inventory Reported in FY 96 Annual Update*. (MTRU Inventory has never been reported in the CPV, nor its revisions.) This was also confirmed in a telephone conversation between Beverly Martin and myself on June 1, 1998.
2. page 3. Paragraph 2 (not counting italicized note to reader). Sentence 1. NMED had not approved changes to the original 1995 inventory because no revisions incorporating such changes had been submitted before and including the beginning of FY97 (October 1, 1996). The first inventory changes to the original STP volume, that being Revision (Rev.) 2.0 was initiated by NMED/HRMB on October 7, 1996 (see October 7, 1996 letter from J. Archuleta to H. L. Plum and M. E. Devaurs, page 3).



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CPV Comments

1. Page 8. Section 3.1. Last sentence in section. Rev. 2 was initiated by NMED. See Comment 2 under Background Volume above.

Please contact me at (505) 827-1867 if there are any questions relating to these comments.

Sincerely,



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