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Kathleen Sisneros
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Dear Ms. Sisneros:

As a stakeholder in the environmental restoration and waste management programs at the Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL), one who has technical knowledge or understanding of our programs, or who speaks or acts on behalf of a particular non-Department of Energy (DOE) constituency, you or your staff or associates are cordially invited to participate in two DOE training workshops focused on risk assessment and risk management.

The first, a two-day Risk Assessment Training Workshop, is scheduled for November 2-3, 1993. This workshop is designed to provide participants with a functional understanding of the basic principles of risk assessment and risk management, and will be tailored to DOE, regulatory agency, and citizen group participants with a basic technical background or experience in hazardous waste cleanup programs. The workshop will be held at the Inn of Loretto, 211 Old Santa Fe Trail, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. both days. A DOE Albuquerque Operations Office memorandum dated October 13, 1993, with an attached announcement from DOE Headquarters, is enclosed. There is no cost for the workshop.

The second workshop, a two-day Radiological Risk Assessment Training Workshop, is scheduled for November 30 and December 1, 1993. It will also be held in Santa Fe. Details on this latter course are still being developed, and will be available in the near future.

Through informal and formal public meetings, community forums, tours, and the like, LANL routinely attempts to consult and involve its constituents in programs which impact the region. The prioritization and extent of investigation and cleanup of DOE hazardous waste sites is largely driven by a technical assessment of the risk to human health and the environment. Notwithstanding the fact that social and cultural elements play important roles in site cleanup activities, DOE is taking this initiative to better inform our technically-oriented stakeholders of the methodologies behind risk and radiological risk assessment-based approaches at our facilities.

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We welcome and encourage your participation in one or both of these upcoming workshops. Because of space limitations and the desire for a fully interactive learning process among participants, registration is limited. If you are interested in attending one of these workshops, please let my office know, as soon as possible, who from your organization will attend. The deadline for registering for the November 2-3 first Risk Assessment Training Workshop is October 27, 1993.

To confirm your interest in attending, please call me at 665-5050, or Patricia Trujillo-Oviedo, LANL, at 665-5000 or 1-800-422-5265.

A draft agenda for the first workshop is enclosed. Agendas describing each workshop are being finalized and will be provided as soon as they are available. Meanwhile, do not hesitate to call on me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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