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**SUBJECT: PRESENTATIONS ON BACKGROUND STUDIES AND
CANYONS STRATEGY**

Dear Mr. Garcia and Mr. Piatt:

We have been requested by each of your bureaus and by Mr. Ed Kelley to present information to you and your staff pertaining to our background studies and our canyons strategy. If any other bureaus (such as the Ground Water Bureau) are interested in the presentations, please invite them.

The background studies presentation will concentrate on what background data have been collected and how to use characterization data to statistically compare to the background data. The canyons strategy presentation will concentrate on the pilot study that is currently being conducted in Los Alamos and Pueblo Canyons and how that information will help us define further canyon studies.

The presentations will be held on Thursday, July 25, 1996, in the large conference room (in the Magistrate Building) near the HRMB offices at 2044 Galisteo Street. The Background Studies presentation will be from 9:00 – 10:30 a.m., and the Canyons Strategy presentation from 10:30 – 12:00 noon.

If you have any questions on these presentations you can contact Tracy Glatzmaier at (505) 665-2613 through July 18, 1996. After July 18, please call either one of us.

Sincerely,

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