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Dear Mr. Garcia:

SUBJECT: LETTER OF APPRECIATION

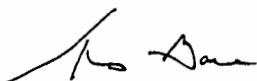
I would like to convey my appreciation to you and your staff for NMED's part in promoting the success of our recent joint effort. Our challenge to prepare ninety-nine Solid Waste Management Units for public notice prior to removing them from the Laboratory's Hazardous Waste Facility Permit has become achievable with your help.

This partnering proved successful well beyond the completion of the assignment. It helped to strengthen communication and trust between LANL and NMED by allowing each of us to better appreciate the efforts and understand the perspective of the other.

I would like to express a special thanks to John Kielling, Neelam Dhawan, and John Young who exhibited a professionalism and attention to detail that was greatly appreciated by the members of my staff.

Based on the success of this effort, I look forward to future partnering efforts with your staff.

Sincerely,



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