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Mr. William Crismon, Environmental Coordinator
Department of Energy - Albuquerque Operations
Los Alamo Area Office
Los Alamos, NM 87544

Re: Request to Inspect Los Alamos National Scientific Laboratory
in Los Alamos, NM

Dear Mr. Crismon:

This is to inform you that Ecology and Environment, Incorporated, (EEI), is a duly authorized consultant for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Representatives from EEI may, upon presentation of a Letter of Introduction, enter any facility where hazardous materials are generated, stored, treated, disposed of, or transported to determine compliance with standards, regulations, and permits issued pursuant to the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) and Section 311 of the Clean Water Act (CWA).

Specifically, this inspection is to determine if an "imminent and substantial endangerment to health or the environment" exists as described by Section 7003 of RCRA. Please be aware this inspection will also include a determination of compliance with RCRA Interim Status Standards. Authority to conduct these inspections is contained in Section 3007 of RCRA and Section 308 of the CWA.

An inspection may include a review of records, taking photographic, and collecting samples. Representatives of EEI are also authorized to collect information which is considered confidential. Any such information must be specified as confidential at the time of the inspection so that appropriate protective measures may be taken.

Mr. K. Malone, EEI, Field Inspection Team Leader, at (214) 742-4521 or a member of his staff, will contact you to arrange an inspection date.

A copy of the inspection report and any analytical data for your facility may be obtained by writing to Gerald Fontenot (6E-GH), EPA Region 6, 1201 Elm Street, Dallas, Texas 75270.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact me or Karen Solari of my staff at (214) 767-2724.

Sincerely,

Karen Solari

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