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SUBJECT: Plutonium detected above investigation levels in LANL White Rock monitoring stations

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Chris Hanlon-Meyer reported that the pre-release copy of the LANL ES 1992 Report included information on plutonium detected above what LANL's SOP defines as 'investigation levels', levels at which the Lab must by its own rules follow up with an investigation regarding source of the contaminant. I spoke with Deni Armstrong (LANL, 665-8890) this morning and contacted Steve Fong (DOE) on this yesterday, saying that AIP suggested LANL/DOE provide this information to the Concerned Citizens for Nuclear Safety and bring them directly into the deliberations this finding will provoke: long turnaround times for rad analysis and how to follow up on data like this a year after its detection; lack of money in the budget for followup; how to look for a source term given the delay between sample collection and detection, etc.

Both Fong and Armstrong agreed it was a good idea. Fong said he had met with CCNS last week but did not discuss this issue. Fong said they would do so.

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