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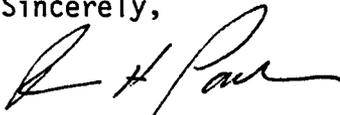
Dear Mr. Valencia:

In response to your letter of November 18, 1986, the Environmental Improvement Division (EID) Hazardous Waste Section does not believe that a major inspection of the Laboratory's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) outfalls is required. The EID has attempted to schedule two such inspections to determine if, prior to the outfall, any treatment, storage or disposal of hazardous waste was occurring. These inspections were cancelled by Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL).

The EID has decided that LANL, through its' recent Part B submittal, has identified all units that will be permitted pursuant with the New Mexico Hazardous Waste Management Regulations. Therefore, any unit(s) identified as being regulated will be in violation of HWMR-3 for operating without a permit, if that unit(s) has not been addressed in the Part B submittal. EID will, during routine inspections, ask to tour specific areas and look at NPDES outfalls for regulatory status.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at (505) 827-2924.

Sincerely,



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