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Mr. Brian English
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Dear Mr. English:

The Hazardous and Radioactive Materials Bureau (HRMB) of the New Mexico Environment Department is currently engaged in discussions with the Department of Energy (DOE) and Los Alamos National Laboratories (LANL) regarding the permitting of mixed waste units at their facility. Discussions thus far have centered around the relative merit of modifying their existing RCRA permit versus requiring separate RCRA permit(s) be issued.

It is our understanding that the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) has recently issued for public comment the first draft partial permit for three RCRA regulated units at Idaho National Engineering Laboratory (INEL). In the interest of gaining national consistency with respect to the permitting of hazardous waste operations/management in the DOE complex, HRMB hereby requests that a copy of the draft partial permit be sent to our office to aid in our current discussions and future permitting process. In addition, HRMB is interested in any other information, such as Notices of Deficiencies and other correspondence open to public review, that might be of value as we determine the most effective and environmentally sound course of action to take. Please send the requested information to the address below.

Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated. As requested, your name has been added to the facility mailing lists for Los Alamos National Laboratory and Sandia National Laboratory (SNL) in an effort to keep you abreast of permitting actions in New Mexico with respect to these facilities. Should you have any questions regarding this matter, or if I can be of assistance to you, please feel free to contact me at (505) 827-4308.

Sincerely,

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