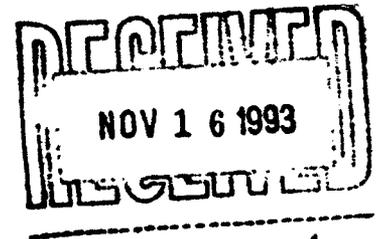




Department of Energy
 Field Office, Albuquerque
 Los Alamos Area Office
 Los Alamos, New Mexico 87544



NOV 10 1993

file LANL red

CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

P 221 171 239

Ms. Barbara Hoditschek
 Program Manager, Permitting
 Hazardous and Radioactive
 Materials Bureau
 New Mexico Environment Department
 525 Camino de los Marquez
 Santa Fe, NM 87502

Dear Ms. Hoditschek:

A Hazardous Waste Facility Permit was issued to the Department of Energy (DOE) for the Los Alamos National laboratory (LANL) by the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) on November 8, 1989. LANL's Hazardous Waste Facility Permit and the Environmental Protection Agency's identification numbers are NM0890010515-1, and NM0890010515 respectively.

With this letter, LANL requests Class I modifications to the referenced Hazardous Waste Facility Permit. The modifications were prepared in compliance with New Mexico Hazardous Waste Management Regulations (HWMR), Part IX, Section 902. The modifications are considered minor, such as administrative and informational changes, corrections of typographical errors, minor training plan modifications, and equipment replacement and upgrading.

The modifications, their explanations and justifications were submitted previously (March 30, 1993) to NMED for a classifications review and determination. That document contains both Class I and II permit modifications. Discussions with Stephanie Stoddard of your staff has led to this request to implement the Class I modifications. The Class II modifications will be requested at a future date when NMED formally responds to LANL's request for classification determination.

Additionally, in compliance with HWMR-7, Part IX, 40 CFR Part 270.42 (a)(ii), LANL is preparing a public notice (enclosed). LANL is formally requesting the mailing list maintained by NMED for the Los Alamos area. LANL wants to insure all interested parties receive a copy of the notice and fact sheet and are provided an opportunity to comment on the proposed modifications.

LANL is maintaining a parallel mailing list. If you wish, LANL will utilize its list for this mailing. Your prompt action on this issue will be appreciated due to the time frames for making the mailing under the regulations. In conjunction with this, a copy of the fact sheet that will be sent to everyone on the mailing list is enclosed for your information.

R



Barbara Hoditschek

2

If you have any questions concerning this issue, please call Jon Mack of my staff at 665-5026 or Jack Ellvinger of LANL at 667-0633.

Sincerely,

for Peter Beeghly
Joseph C. Vozella, Chief
Environment, Safety and Health Branch

Enclosures

cc w/enclosures:

S. Stoddard

New Mexico Environment Dept.
525 Camino de los Marquez
Santa Fe, NM 87502

J. Mack, ES&H, LAAO

J. Plum, Scientech, LAAO

D. Erickson, QESHA, LANL, MS-A105

J. Rochelle, LC/GL, LANL, MS-A187

K. Hargis, EM-8, LANL, MS-K490

J. White, EM-8, LANL, MS-K490

A. Drypolcher, EM-7, LANL, MS-E517

J. Kelly, EM-7, LANL, MS-E517

**PUBLIC NOTICE OF MODIFICATIONS
TO HAZARDOUS WASTE FACILITY PERMIT
FOR LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY**

The US Department of Energy Los Alamos Area Office and the University of California have requested that New Mexico Environment Department review and approve a set of modifications pertaining to Los Alamos National Laboratory's Hazardous Waste Facility Permit.

The New Mexico Hazardous Waste Management Regulations (HWMR-7) contain regulations governing permit modifications (specifically 40 CFR, Sub Part B 270.41 and 270.42). The modifications being made are considered minor modifications, such as administrative and informational changes, corrections of typographical errors, minor training plan modifications, and equipment replacement or up-grading.

For more information contact Jon Mack (DOE) at (505)665-5026, Jack Ellvinger (LANL) at (505)667-0633, or Stephanie Stoddard (NMED) at (505)827-4308.

Los Alamos National Laboratory
P.O. Box 1663, MS C314
Los Alamos, NM 87545

FACT SHEET FOR MODIFICATIONS
TO HAZARDOUS WASTE FACILITY PERMIT
Los Alamos National Laboratory
November, 1993

BACKGROUND

A Hazardous Waste Facility Permit was issued to the Department of Energy and the University of California for Los Alamos National Laboratory by the New Mexico Environment Department on November 8, 1989. The Permit allows the Laboratory to operate certain hazardous waste management units. The permit includes requirements for: personnel training, inspections, waste analysis, record-keeping, monitoring, accident prevention and emergency response. The hazardous waste management programs at Los Alamos National Laboratory are dynamic, therefore the Permit requires periodic modification to remain current with Laboratory conditions.

EFFECT of MODIFICATIONS

By making the modifications to the permit, Los Alamos National Laboratory can continue to operate in a manner that protects human health and the environment. Listed below are examples of changes that can be found in this set of modifications:

- Changes to the Laboratory's organizational structure
- Changes to the Laboratory's personnel status
- Correction of typographical errors in Permit text
- A manual treatment system is replaced with a mechanized one
- Waste codes are added to describe operations of the proposed mechanized treatment system

Copies of the full text of the permit modification can be reviewed at the following locations:

LANL Community Reading Room
1450 Central Avenue, Suite 101
Los Alamos, New Mexico

Mesa Public Library
1741 Central Avenue
Los Alamos, New Mexico

Santa Fe Public Library
145 Washington Ave.
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Española Public Library
314A Oñate Street
Española, New Mexico