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Mr. Benito Garcia
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**SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO THE NOTICE OF DETERMINATION FOR
SEPTEMBER 1996 NFA PROPOSAL**

Dear Mr. Garcia:

Enclosed please find two copies of Los Alamos National Laboratory's response to New Mexico Environment Department's Notice of Determination dated June 9, 1997. This Notice of Determination addresses the Laboratory's September 1996 permit modification request to remove solid waste management units (SWMUs) from Module VIII of the Laboratory's operating permit.

This response addresses 13 out of the 37 SWMUs for which your Bureau requested additional information. We have opted to deliver this response in a phased approach so that your Bureau could consider adding all or some (based on your concurrence) of these 13 sites to your earlier anticipated mid-July public notice of the Laboratory's no further action (NFA) proposal. This approach was discussed and agreed upon with John Kieling of your staff and Dave McInroy of our staff.

We request an extension for providing the additional information to support NFA recommendations on the 24 SWMUs on October 30, 1997.

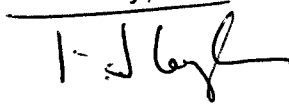
Thank you for your consideration in dealing with our response. Should you have any questions please contact Dave McInroy at (505) 667-0819 or Joe Mose at (505) 667-5808.

Sincerely,


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