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Mr. Charles Ritchey
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 6MD-HX
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**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR INTERIM APPROVAL FOR THE USE OF EPA
METHOD 200.8 FOR THE ANALYSIS OF CADMIUM AND LEAD,
NPDES PERMIT NO. NM0028355**

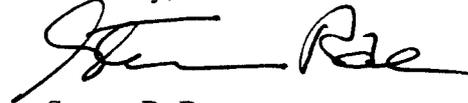
Dear Mr. Ritchey:

This letter is to request interim approval for the use of EPA Method 200.8 (Determination of Trace Elements in Waters and Wastes by Inductively Coupled Plasma Mass Spectrometry) for the analysis of Cadmium and Lead for Los Alamos National Laboratory's NPDES Permit and Permit Reapplication.

In addition, please see the attached letter from you to Assaigai Analytical Laboratories granting approval to use EPA Method 300.0 as an alternative method for NPDES purposes. We would like to confirm this approval extends to Los Alamos National Laboratory for NPDES Permit Reapplication purposes since Assaigai Analytical Laboratories is completing analytical work for our Permit Reapplication.

Thank you in advance for consideration of our request. If you have questions or require additional information, please contact Mike Saladen at (505) 665-6085 or Brenda Edeskuty at (505) 665-0789.

Sincerely,



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Mr. William P. Biava, President
Assagai Analytical Laboratories
7300 Jefferson, NE
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87109

Dear Mr. Biava:

Your request to use method 300.0 as an alternate to those methods published in table 1 at the Code of Federal Regulations, title 40, part 136 for those analytes listed in method 300.0 is approved. Should you have any questions, please feel free to telephone Charles Ritchey at (214) 665-9344.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Sam Becker".

Sam Becker

Acting Assistant Regional Administrator
for Management

Handwritten initials, possibly "JB", written in cursive.