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New Mexico Environment Department
Hazardous & Radioactive Materials Bureau
2044 Galisteo Street
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Attn: John Kieling

Re: PROPOSED CLASS III PERMIT MODIFICATION FOR
LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY

Dear Mr. Kieling:

Thank you for your notification of 21 October 1998 regarding the subject permit modifications. I support your decision to remove the 99 SWMUs from the HSWA Module of the Laboratory's permit. Deleting SWMUs for the reasons you stated (they do not exist, they are duplicates of other SWMUs, they were never used for management or RCRA constituents, and so on) is entirely appropriate. I am personally aware of the problems that Laboratory personnel have encountered in tracking down many of the sites in the original SWMU list. I have concluded that the original list was based on insufficient information and contained many sites that should not have been included.

Sincerely,



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