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LANL TA-50 NPDES

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**SUBJECT: RADIOACTIVE EFFLUENT QUALITY AT NPDES OUTFALL 051,
TA-50, BUILDING 1, AUGUST, 1999**

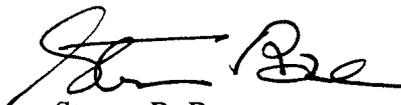
Dear Messrs. Gurule and Vozella:

Enclosed is the monthly monitoring report pertaining to NPDES Outfall 051 for radioactive effluent quality data, as requested by DOE/LAAO. This report includes the monthly value (monthly average) compared with the DOE Derived Concentration Guidelines (DCG) value for each parameter analyzed. The monthly values are equal composites of all discharges that occurred during the month. Please note, this report also includes radioactive influent data for the TA-50 Treatment Facility and percent removal.

There were a total of 38 releases (1,897,399.4 Liters) to Mortandad Canyon during the monitoring period from the TA-50 Treatment Facility. The DCGs were exceeded for Plutonium 238 (Pu238), Plutonium 239 (Pu239) and Americium 241 (Am241) during the monitoring period.

Please contact me at 665-1859 or Mike Saladen at 665-6085 if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,



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TA50 -1 EFFLUENT DISCHARGE & REMOVAL for AUGUST, 1999

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Species	Guideline as (uCi/ml)	Guideline as (Ci/L)	Effluent (Ci/L)	Exceeded	Influent (Ci/L)	% Removal
Sr-89	2.0e-5	20.0e-9	11.0e-12		15.0e-12	26.667
Sr-90	1.0e-6	1.0e-9	31.0e-12		55.0e-12	43.636
TRITIUM	0.002	2.0e-6	60.0e-9			
U-234	5.0e-7	500.0e-12	13.0e-12		1.9e-9	99.316
U-235	5.0e-6	5.0e-9	0.2e-12		100.0e-12	99.8
Cs-137	3.0e-6	3.0e-9	150.0e-12		130.0e-12	
Pu-238	4.0e-8	40.0e-12	130.0e-12	Yes	28.0e-9	99.536
Pu-239	3.0e-8	30.0e-12	64.0e-12	Yes	42.0e-9	99.848
Am-241	3.0e-8	30.0e-12	88.0e-12	Yes	34.0e-9	99.741

38.0 discharges in AUGUST, 1999

1,897,399.4 liters (volume) discharged