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November 14, 2000

Governor Joseph H. Suina
Cochiti Pueblo
P.O. Box 70
Cochiti Pueblo, New Mexico 87072

RE: PROPOSED CLASS III PERMIT MODIFICATION

Dear Governor Joseph H. Suina:

Enclosed is a fact sheet regarding the New Mexico Environment Department's intent to approve a Class III modification to the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) permit issued to the US Department of Energy/Los Alamos National Laboratory (DOE/LANL), New Mexico, Permit No. NM0890010515.

The proposed modification will remove 30 Solid Waste Management Units (SWMUs) from the permit. The fact sheet provides additional information regarding this proposed modification, including identification of the SWMUs to be removed from the permit, the bases for their removal, repositories where the administrative record for this action can be reviewed, and procedures for submitting comments and requesting a Public Hearing. Comments and requests for Public Hearing will be received through **5 p.m. on January 8, 2001.**



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If you have any questions or comments, please contact Ms. Neelam Dhawan of my staff at 827-1557.

Sincerely,

for Neelam Dhawan
John E. Kieling, Manager
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Enclosure

cc: J. Bearzi, NMED HWB
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FACT SHEET
November 22, 2000

**NOTICE OF INTENT
TO APPROVE A MODIFICATION TO
RCRA PERMIT NO. NM0890010515
US DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY/LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY
NEW MEXICO**

Action: Approval, subject to public review and input, of a Class III permit modification to remove thirty (30) Solid Waste Management Units (SWMUs) from a RCRA permit.

Permittee: US Department of Energy/Los Alamos National Laboratory (DOE/LANL), New Mexico

Permit No.: NM0890010515

Reason for Action:

The proposed modification will remove thirty (30) SWMUs from Table A, Table B, and Table C of the permit. Tables A, B, and C list sites at LANL where Corrective Action to characterize and/or remediate past releases of hazardous waste or hazardous waste constituents may be necessary.

On March 27, 1995, September 28, 1995 and September 30, 1996 DOE/LANL proposed one-hundred ninety (190) SWMUs for No Further Action (NFA). At this time, the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has approved and removed one hundred two (102) sites from DOE/LANL's permit and has further identified thirty (30) sites as appropriate for NFA. The thirty (30) sites proposed for NFA in this action and justification for removal of these sites from LANL's permit are:

The following SWMUs are approved for NFA because they cannot be located or have been shown not to exist:

SWMU 3-025(a)	Oil trap sump	TA-3 (Former Operable Unit 1114)
SWMU 3-045(i)	Outfall	TA-3 (Former Operable Unit 1114)
SWMU 11-011(c)	Boiler discharge/Outfall	TA-11 (Former Operable Unit 1082)
SWMU 18-007	Buried Armored Vehicle	TA-18 (Former Operable Unit 1093)
SWMU 27-001	Buried Naval Guns	TA-27 (Former Operable Unit 1093)
SWMU 59-001	Decommissioned Septic system	TA-59 (Former Operable Unit 1114)

The following SWMU is approved for NFA because it is a duplicate SWMU:

SWMU 3-049(c)	Outfall (Active)	TA-3 (Former Operable Unit 1114)
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The following SWMU is approved for NFA because it will be evaluated as part of another SWMU investigation:

SWMU 3-052(c)	One time Release	TA-3 (Former Operable Unit 1114)
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The following SWMUs are approved for NFA because they have never been used for the management of RCRA solid or hazardous wastes and/or constituents:

SWMU 3-002(d)	Former Storage Area	TA-3 (Former Operable Unit 1114)
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SWMU 3-009(c)	Construction debris Area	TA-3 (Former Operable Unit 1114)
SWMU 3-009(g)	Soil Fill Area	TA-3 (Former Operable Unit 1114)
SWMU 3-019	Septic Tank	TA-3 (Former Operable Unit 1114)
SWMU 3-049(d)	Outfall (Active)	TA-3 (Former Operable Unit 1114)
SWMU 3-050(e)	Inactive Filter Unit	TA-3 (Former Operable Unit 1114)
SWMU 3-055(d)	Active Storm Drain	TA-3 (Former Operable Unit 1114)
SWMU 3-056(m)	Inactive Drum Storage Area	TA-3 (Former Operable Unit 1114)
SWMU 16-005(b)	Septic System (Removed)	TA-16 (Former Operable Unit 1082)
SWMU 54-007(b)	Inactive Septic System	TA-54 (Former Operable Unit 1148)
SWMU 61-004(a)	Former Septic Tank	TA-61 (Former Operable Unit 1114)

The following SWMUs are approved for NFA because they were proven to have made no release to the environment:

SWMU 3-026(b)	Active Sumps	TA-3 (Former Operable Unit 1114)
SWMU 3-032	Tank and Associated Equipment	TA-3 (Former Operable Unit 1114)
SWMU 3-044(a)	Container Storage Area	TA-3 (Former Operable Unit 1114)
SWMU 3-056(n)	Container Storage Area	TA-3 (Former Operable Unit 1114)
SWMU 35-011(a)	Aboveground Storage Tanks	TA-35 (Former Operable Unit 1129)
SWMU 35-013(d)	Floor Drains	TA-35 (Former Operable Unit 1129)
SWMU 54-015(h)	Drum Storage Area	TA-54 (Former Operable Unit 1148)

The following SWMU is approved for NFA because it is regulated under another authority:

SWMU 35-004(e)	Active Satellite Accumulation Area	TA-35 (Former Operable Unit 1129)
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The following SWMUs are approved for NFA because they were characterized and/or remediated under another authority that adequately addressed corrective action:

SWMU 3-002(a)	Less-than-ninety-day	TA-3 (Former Operable Unit 1114)
SWMU 3-043(e)	Underground Storage Tank	TA-3 (Former Operable Unit 1114)
SWMU 35-006	Surface Impoundment	TA-35 (Former Operable Unit 1082)

Availability of Additional Information:

A Statement of Basis has been prepared to provide additional information on site history, evaluation of relevant investigations, and basis for the decision to approve NFA status. The administrative record for this proposed action consists of this fact sheet, NMED's statement of basis, the public notice, the proposed revised Tables A, B, and C, and a summary of public involvement activities. The administrative record may be reviewed at:

New Mexico Environment Department
Hazardous Waste Bureau
P.O. Box 26110
2044-A Galisteo Street
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87502
(505) 827-1557
Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Attn: Mr. John Kielsing

The public notice, fact sheet, NMED's Statement of Basis, and modified permit may also be reviewed at:

Los Alamos National Laboratory Community Relations Reading Room
1619 Central Avenue
Los Alamos, New Mexico 87545
(505) 665-4400
Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5 p.m.

To obtain a copy of the administrative record or any part thereof, please contact Mr. John Kieling at the New Mexico Environment Department at the above address. Any person who wishes to comment on this permit modification or to request a public hearing should submit written comments/requests, along with the commentor's/requester's name and address, to John Kieling at the above address. Requests for hearing should include a statement of the nature of the issues proposed. Only comments/requests received by 5:00 p.m. on **January 8, 2001** will be accepted. NMED will provide a 30-day notice of the public hearing, if scheduled.

Final Decision:

All written comments received during the public notice period and issues raised at a Public Hearing, if held, will become part of the administrative record and will be considered in formulating the final decision. NMED may approve, modify and approve, or deny the requested permit modification based on the comments received. NMED will notify DOE/LANL and each person who submitted a written comment during the public comment period or testimony at a Public Hearing of the final decision, including any approved change to the proposed modification, and a detailed statement of reasons for any such change. The final decision will be made according to applicable State and Federal laws.