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SUBJECT: ISSUANCE OF A FINAL ORDER TO LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY

Dear Concerned Citizen:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) issued a draft order to Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) pursuant to NMSA 1978 §§ 74-4-10.1 and 74-4-13 of the New Mexico Hazardous Waste Act on May 2, 2002. The draft order contained investigation and cleanup requirements and a schedule for implementation at LANL. On May 2, 2002, a notification of issuance of a draft order to LANL was sent to all the persons on the Facility's mailing list.

NMED invited the public to comment on the draft order by providing an initial sixty-day comment period that was later extended by an additional thirty days. The ninety-day comment period ended on July 31, 2002. NMED received written comments from several parties including LANL during the comment period. NMED has reviewed, considered and responded to all the written comments, and, today is issuing the final Order. An electronic copy of NMED's response is being sent to all the persons who provided written comments to NMED. The final order, NMED's response to comments, and the administrative record can be viewed at the NMED Hazardous Waste Bureau located at 2905 Rodeo Park Drive East, Building 1, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505-6303. The response to comments and the Order can also be viewed at NMED Web Page: <http://www.nmenv.state.nm.us/HWB/pubnotice.html>

Should you have any questions or comments regarding this letter, please contact the NMED Hazardous Waste Bureau at (505) 428-2500.

Sincerely,

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