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Mr. Theodore Taylor  
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Dear Mr. Taylor:

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has reviewed the Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) quarterly technical report for July-September, 1994, and monthly reports from September through November, 1994. EPA has the following comments on these documents:

1. The quarterly report was received by EPA on January 3, 1995 which is approximately 90 days after the end of the quarter. The three monthly reports were received together on February 17, 1995. The primary objective of these reports is to keep the regulator informed in a timely manner on field work and analytical results. This can not occur when reports are received so late.
2. The summaries of analytical results in the quarterly reports as presented in Tables 2-3, 2-8, etc. is not useful information. These results can not be related to any particular unit, and are therefore unusable to the regulator.
3. The milestone status logs presented in the monthly reports are not very useful data, and most of the dates do not appear to be correct.

EPA would like to work with LANL to ensure that these reports are beneficial to the regulator. Should you have any questions, please contact Ms. Barbara Driscoll at (214) 665-7441.

Sincerely,

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