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**RE: Approval of the Sampling and Analysis Plans
Canyons Investigations
Los Alamos National Laboratory
NM0890010515**

Dear Mr. Taylor and Mr. Browne:

In a recent discussion, Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) representatives requested clarification from the RCRA Permits Management Program (RPMP) of the New Mexico Environment Department regarding the format of the Sampling and Analysis Plans (SAPs) performed under the Canyons Investigation Core Work Plan (the "Work Plan").

After thorough consideration, RPMP has determined that investigations performed under the Work Plan should remain consistent with that Work Plan. For further clarification, the investigations performed under the Work Plan should not follow the SAP/Work Plan outline provided to facilities state-wide at the March 4-5, 1998 RPMP presentation.



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Should you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me or Mr. John Kieling, RPMP's LANL Facility Manager, at (505) 827-1558.

Sincerely,



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