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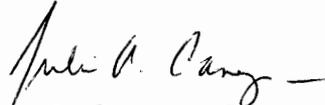
SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO REJECTION OF PRS 0-016 VCA REPORT LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY NM0890010515 (FORMER OU 1071)

Dear Dr. Dinwiddie:

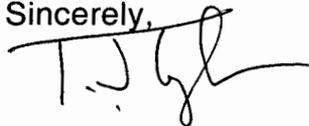
In response to your July 1, 1998, letter, Los Alamos National Laboratory conducted a site visit for Ms. Kim Hill of the New Mexico Environment Department's Hazardous and Radioactive Materials Bureau (HRMB) on July 22, 1998. It was agreed at that meeting that the Voluntary Corrective Action (VCA) report should be rewritten to incorporate HRMB comments and to clarify site activities conducted as part of the VCA. The Laboratory has initiated the development of the new VCA report. However, the need to evaluate existing data and conduct peer reviews, and the new annotated Resource Conservation and Recovery Act facility investigation format, will require more than the 60 days specified in your July 1, 1998, letter to complete. An additional 60 days is formally requested to prepare the VCA report in an effort to insure completeness and correct format. This extension was discussed with Ms. Hill at the July 22, 1998, site visit and was deemed as acceptable. Please consider this as the Laboratory's official request for extension which would make the due date for this document November 20, 1998.

If you have any questions regarding this extension request, or require additional information, please contact Dave McInroy at (505) 667-0819 or Joe Mose at (505) 667-5808.

Sincerely,


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