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Mr. John Young  
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RE: Los Alamos Community Center, 15<sup>th</sup> & Myrtle, Los Alamos, New Mexico

Facility #: 16050001/29145

SID #: 1859

Dear Mr. Young:

This letter follows the Underground Storage Tank Bureau (USTB) of the New Mexico Environment Department's review of the case file for the Los Alamos Community Center leaking underground storage tank (LUST) site. Five (5) underground storage tanks were removed from the property from May through June 1993. The tanks held gasoline, diesel, waste oil and dry cleaning fluids.

It was demonstrated with field and laboratory analysis that the gasoline and waste oil tanks did not release any product to the environment. The diesel tank did experience a release of product, and the contractor was able to remove most, but not all, of the contaminated soil. Contaminated soil remains under the building adjacent to the former tank hold. The two tanks containing dry cleaning fluid also experienced a release, and the contractor was unable to dig out the contamination when the tanks were removed. Upon confirmation that all of the contaminated soil had not been removed from the solvent tank release, the Hazardous and Radioactive Materials Bureau (HWB) was contacted. In July 1994, the Department of Energy agreed to assume responsibility for further activity at the site. As a result, the site of the two USTs which stored cleaning fluid was named Solid Waste Management Unit (SMU) 0-039, and the site of the former diesel UST was named SWMU 0-040.

Since hazardous constituents have been identified at the site, and this facility is permitted as two solid waste management units, the USTB refers the LUST site known as the Los Alamos Community Center to the HWB and requests that the HWB regulate all further corrective action at the site. Corrective action for the petroleum hydrocarbons at the site must fulfill the requirements of the New Mexico Underground Storage Tank Regulations outlined in 20 NMAC 5.



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The USTB will be available for review and consultation to the HWB in matters relating to the petroleum hydrocarbon contamination. Please send a copy of all correspondence regarding the corrective action at this site to the Remediation Program Manager of the USTB.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (505) 984-1909.

Sincerely,



Susan von Gonten  
Geologist  
Underground Storage Tank Bureau

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February 7, 1994

Mr. Tom Netuschil  
c/o Netuschil Glass Company  
200 DP Road  
Los Alamos, New Mexico 87544

RE: Confirmed Release at the Los Alamos Community Center,  
15th & Myrtle, Los Alamos, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Netuschil:

This letter follows a review of the case file for the above-referenced site. Five (5) underground storage tanks were removed from the property from May through June 1993. The tanks held gasoline, diesel, waste oil and dry cleaning fluid.

It was demonstrated with field and laboratory analysis that the gasoline and waste oil tanks did not release any product. The diesel tank did experience a release of product but the contractor was able to remove all the contaminated soil (with the exception of a small section which the contractor was unable to excavate due to encountering a water line and a buildings foundation). Therefore no further action was required from the gasoline, diesel and waste oil tankholds. The two tanks containing dry cleaning fluid also experienced a release. When the tanks were removed the contractor tried to dig out of the contamination but was unsuccessful.

On July 17, 1993 the contractor returned to the site with a trackhoe to remove all of the contaminated soil in and around the former dry cleaning tankhold. As the excavation proceeded more concentrated contamination was discovered and further excavation was abandoned. The tankhold was backfilled in order to avoid the possibility of an accident occurring.

Pursuant to Section 1205C of the Regulations the owner/operator must determine the horizontal and vertical extent of contamination within 45 days of discovery of a release. To date this has not been done. Once this has



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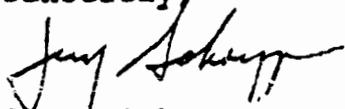
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been completed an evaluation of the site and further action if any will be decided.

Contact me at 827-2913 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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Geologist  
Underground Storage Tank Bureau

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