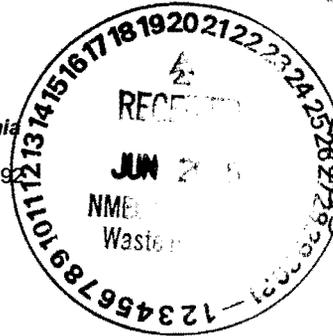




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**SUBJECT: WITHDRAWAL OF REQUEST FOR “NO LONGER CONTAINED IN”
 DETERMINATION FOR RETURNED SEDIMENT SAMPLES, MORTANDAD
 CANYON, AOC C-00-008**

Dear Mr. Young:

The purpose of this letter is to withdraw the Laboratory’s request that the New Mexico Environment Department use its discretionary authority to determine that returned sediment samples from Mortandad Canyon do not warrant management as F-listed hazardous waste, pursuant to the requirements of 20.4.1.200 NMAC §261.31. The request was sent to you in a letter dated December 15, 2004 (ER2004-0700).

The waste for which the determination was requested is being stored at Technical Area 54, Area L, in accordance with all applicable waste management regulations and Laboratory requirements. The Laboratory is currently evaluating permanent disposition options for the waste based on its characterization and will implement the option chosen in a timely manner.

If you have any questions, please contact Danny Katzman at (505) 667-6333 or Tom Whitacre at (505) 665-5042.

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