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SUBJECT: Spill Response Assessment and Suggestion for Close-Out of Concrete Washout Release at TA-3 Building 39, LANL report # 176 on August 13, 2007.

Dear Mr. Powell:

On August 13, 2007, the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) was notified of a Concrete Washout release to storm drain east of TA-3, Building 39, located at Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Alamos, New Mexico. This spill was reported to the Emergency Spill Hotline as required by 20.6.2.1203 NMAC of the Water Quality Control Commission. The amount of the release was approximately 30 gallons of concrete washout and 1/8 cubic yards of concrete. Corrective and administrative actions have been taken by LANL in order to prevent any further occurrences. In addition, all concrete was removed and properly disposed of by the facility.

The DOE Oversight Bureau has reviewed the spill discharge notification report on August 13, 2007 and has found that the inspection and follow-up repair program is sufficient to protect the environment of New Mexico. The Oversight Bureau believes the response and clean-up has been adequate and recommends that no further action is required at this time under this discharge notification. However, this letter does not relieve the United States Department of Energy or the Los Alamos National Security, LLC, of its obligation to comply with any other applicable laws and regulations.

If you have any questions regarding this recommendation, please contact Erik Galloway of our Santa Fe office at (505) 476-6024.

Sincerely,

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