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September 20, 2002

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SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF VCA COMPLETION REPORT FOR PRS 3-056(c)
LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY, NM0890010515
HWB-LANL-01-020

Dear Dr. Browne and Mr. Trollinger:

Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) submitted the RCRA "Voluntary Corrective Action (VCA) Completion Report for Potential Release Site (PRS) 3-056(c)" (dated September 2001, referenced by LA-UR-01-5349 and ER2001-0657) and "Data Supplement to the September 27, 2001 Voluntary Corrective Action (VCA) Completion Report for Potential Release Site (PRS) 3-056(c)" (dated January 24, 2002 and referenced by ER2002-0005) to the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED). Subsequently NMED sent a request for supplemental information (RSI) to LANL on May 17, 2002. LANL sent a response to the RSI (dated June 19, 2002 and referenced by ER2002-0408) and "Corrections to the Request for Supplemental Information (RSI) for the Voluntary Corrective Action (VCA) Completion Report for Potential Release Site (PRS) 03-056(c)" (dated August 28, 2002 and referenced by ER2002-0601) to the NMED. NMED is satisfied with the remediation of the site and approves the VCA Completion Report and the RSI Response, but does not concur with the recommendation for no further action (NFA) at this site at this time.



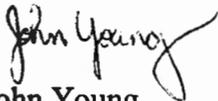
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Due to the presence of similar contamination downgradient of PRS 3-056(c), NMED cannot concur with an NFA recommendation until the contaminants downstream of the site have been characterized and any risks mitigated.

If you have any questions, please contact Neelam Dhawan at (505) 428-2540.

Sincerely,



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