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CERTIFIED LETTER: RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Joseph C. Vozella, Acting Chief
Environment, Safety and Health Branch
Department of Energy
Los Alamos Area Office
Los Alamos, New Mexico 87544

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Re: RFI Work Plan for OU 1129, Approval
Los Alamos National Laboratory
NM0890010515

Dear Mr. Vozella:

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) hereby approves with the enclosed modification your Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Facility Investigation (RFI) Work Plan for Operable Unit (OU) 1129 with the exception of Appendix E. The approved work plan consists of the RFI work plan dated May 20, 1992, the revised Notice of Deficiency (NOD) Response dated October 18, 1993, and the attached modification. An NOD for the revised RFI Work Plan for Appendix E will be issued separately by EPA.

You shall immediately initiate the implementation of this approved RFI work plan. If you have any questions, please contact Barbara Driscoll of my staff at (214) 655-7441.

Sincerely yours,

Allyn M. Davis

Allyn M. Davis, Director
Hazardous Waste Management Division (6H)

Enclosure

cc: Kathleen Sisneros, NMED
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MODIFICATION

1. The NOD Response dated October 18, 1993, incorrectly indicates that a Corrective Measure Study (CMS) is recommended when the 95% upper-confidence limit (UCL) on the arithmetic mean concentration of an individual site contaminant exceeds the screening action level (SAL) for that contaminant. A CMS will be recommended when the concentration of a hazardous constituent exceeds the screening action level. EPA does not use the mean concentration but rather the maximum concentration to determine the need for a CMS. The revised work plan pages have been changed to reflect this.