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SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO THE NOD FOR THE VCA COMPLETION REPORT FOR PRS 12-001(a)

Dear Dr. Dinwiddie:

In response to your June 17, 1998, Notice of Deficiency (NOD) for the Voluntary Corrective Action (VCA) Completion Report for Potential Release Site (PRS) 12-001(a), the Los Alamos National Laboratory's Environmental Restoration Project will develop a Sampling and Analysis Plan (SAP) to complete characterization of this PRS and incorporate the New Mexico Environmental Department's (NMED's) comments. Also included will be an approach to perform VCA activity at PRS 12-001(b), a small open-pit firing site adjacent to PRS 12-001(a). During development of this planning, the Laboratory will work closely with NMED to incorporate NOD comments and Hazardous and Radioactive Materials Bureau concerns. The Laboratory will complete the planning process for these sites in the first quarter of FY99.

Upon completion of the additional data collection efforts at these PRSs, the Laboratory will revise the VCA completion Report for submittal to NMED. The schedule for field work and report completion at these sites will be integrated with the FY99 Firing Sites prioritization and aggregation efforts.

If you have any questions regarding this approach or require additional information, please contact John McCann at (505) 665-1091.

Sincerely,

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