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**SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO JULY 30, 1997 DENIAL OF RFI REPORT AND
 NOD RESPONSE FOR TA-15 (FORMER OU 1086, FU 2)**

Dear Dr. Dinwiddie:

In response to your June 24, 1998 denial of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act facility investigation (RFI) Report and notice of deficiency (NOD) response for Technical Area (TA)15, the Los Alamos National Laboratory Environmental Restoration (ER) Project would like to withdraw the referenced documents. As part of the Laboratory ER Project re-organization, a new team has assessed the data needs for these sites as well as the comments and concerns expressed by the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) in the NOD and the denial letter. The Laboratory ER Project will work closely with the NMED to develop and submit Phase II Sampling and Analysis Plans (SAPs) that address the outlined deficiencies. The Phase II SAPs will be submitted to NMED by March 31, 1999. The associated fieldwork and subsequent RFI Report will be completed as part of the Firing Sites prioritization and aggregation efforts. The Laboratory ER Project will submit a revised RFI Report, following the format outlined in the RFI Report Annotated Outline.

If you have any question regarding this effort or require additional information, please contact Dave McInroy at (505) 667-0819 or Joe Mose at (505) 667-5808.

Sincerely,

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