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SUBJECT: Spill Response Assessment and suggestion for close-out of drain line release from an oil/water separator at TA-16 Building 180 Fire Station #5, LANL report # 172 on February 1, 2007.

Dear Mr. Powell:

On February 1, 2007, the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) was notified of a drain line release from an oil/water separator at TA-16, Building 180, Fire Station #5, 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 discharge was unknown.

The DOE Oversight Bureau has reviewed the spill response action report received on February 7, 2007 in addition to a report entitled, *Remedy Completion Report for the Investigation and Remediation of Area of Concern 16-024(V) and Solid Waste Management Units 16-026(r) and 16-031(f) at Technical Area 16, Revision 1(LA-UR-07-3813, June 2007 EPS2007-0359)* and has also reviewed the *Notice of Approval* which was sent by the New Mexico Environment Department, Hazardous Waste Bureau on June 27, 2007 and signed by the Bureau Chief, Mr. James Bearzi. The Oversight Bureau believes the response and clean-up is complete 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.



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