

# Los Alamos

NATIONAL LABORATORY

Los Alamos National Laboratory  
Los Alamos, New Mexico 87545

Date: January 10, 1997  
In Reply Refer To: ESH-18/WQ&H-96-0656  
Mail Stop: K497  
Telephone: (505) 667-4882

~~Bustamante~~  
Stu -  
please forward  
as appropriate  
Bink

Phyllis Bustamante  
Ground Water Protection and Remediation Bureau  
New Mexico Environment Department  
1190 Saint Francis Drive  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87502



Dear Ms. Bustamante:

As we discussed on December 20, 1996, there will be no discharge of water above New Mexico Ground Water Standards in conjunction with the Notice of Intent to Discharge (NOI) at PRS 16-021(c) submitted to your office on October 30, 1996. In order to address your concerns, any water discharged under this NOI will be released to the surface of the ground at a location away from any possible zones of contamination within PRS 16-021(c). Additionally, there will be no discharge of water to a surface watercourse as requested by your Bureau and the Surface Water Quality Bureau unless a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit is obtained from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

It is my understanding that discharges from well purging, well development, and drilling rig decontamination will not require a Ground Water Discharge Plan if discharged in accordance with the above referenced conditions.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. If you have any questions, please contact me at (505) 667-4882.

Sincerely,

*Alex A. Puglisi*  
Alex Puglisi

AP/tp



6032

FILE (AND RETURN) EA-3/1082/16-021(c)

14

Phyllis Bustamante  
ESH-18/WQ&H-96-0656

- 2 -

January 10, 1997

Cy: K. Goetz, ICF-Kaiser  
C. Jacquez, ESH-18, MS K497  
M. Saladen, ESH-18, MS K497  
S. Veenis, ESH-18, MS K497  
P. Shanley, ESH-19, MS K498  
M. Alexander, ESH-19, MS K498  
D. McInroy, ER Program Office  
B. Garcia, NMED, Santa Fe, New Mexico  
WQ&H File, MS K497  
CRM-4, MS A150