

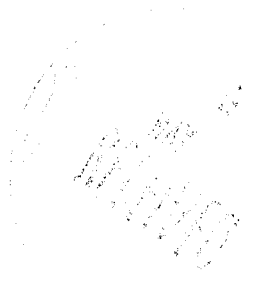
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or return to EPA w/
notes re: by 10 June
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Mr. Benito Garcia, Chief
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Re: Comments on the Corrective Action Status Report for PRS 18-003(d), Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL), EPA I.D. NM0890010515

Dear Mr. Garcia:

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has reviewed LANL's Corrective Action Status Report for PRS 18-003(d), dated April 10, 1998 (received April 20, 1998), and has found the Report to be deficient. Enclosed are EPA's comments.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mr. Rich Mayer at (214) 665-7442.

Sincerely,

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Page 3; Sampling Activities and Results: EPA requires that samples be unfiltered for inorganics. NMED HRMB requires the same also. LANL must collect unfiltered groundwater samples.

Page 11; Modifications of Scheduled Sampling: EPA disagrees with LANLs recommendation to monitor the wells for only VOCs. Firstly, it appears that LANL has been filtering the inorganic samples. Secondly, the third quarter SVOC sample was broken and not analyzed. EPA recommends at least 2 more quarters of sampling the wells for VOCs, SVOCs and inorganics.