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SUBJECT: TA-21-57 ABOVEGROUND STORAGE TANK DIESEL RELEASE, TIER 1 EVALUATION

Dear Mr. Coffman:

This letter is to inform you of actions underway by Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) and the National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) in response to the Technical Area (TA) 21-57 Aboveground Storage Tank Diesel Release. LANL has committed to positive monitoring of the area to assure detection of any diesel fuel that might be released beyond the immediate area. LANL and NNSA are conducting a treatability study to determine if a Bioventing action is feasible at this site. Results of this study will be shared with the New Mexico Environment Department. At that time, my staff will meet with you to determine a proper path forward.

Should you have any questions, please call Mike Saladen of the Water Quality and Hydrology Group at 665-6085.

Sincerely,

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