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RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

July 21, 1997

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**RE: Comments Regarding
Response to Additional Information Request
Potential Release Site 31-001
Los Alamos National Laboratory
NM0890010515**

Dear Mr. Todd and Dr. Hecker:

The Hazardous and Radioactive Materials Bureau (HRMB) of the New Mexico Environment Department has reviewed the Response to Additional Information Request for Potential Release Site (PRS) 31-001 dated April 3, 1997 and referenced by EM/ER:97-094 and provides comments in Attachment A.

Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) must respond to the comments noted in Attachment A within 30 days of the receipt of this letter. HRMB does not usually provide an opportunity for reconciliation of additional comments after the response to the request for supplemental information. If LANL is unable to adequately address these comments, it is HRMB's intention to disapprove this RCRA Facility Investigation (RFI) and it's subsequent Notices of Deficiency.



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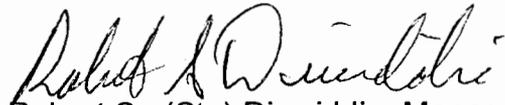
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Should you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me or Mr. John Kieling, HRMB's LANL Facility Manager, at (505) 827-1558.

Sincerely,



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ATTACHMENT A
Comments Regarding
Response to Additional Information Request
Potential Release Site 31-001
April 3, 1997

1. LANL shall perform confirmatory sampling at this PRS for semi-volatile organic compounds (SVOCs). SVOCs were indicated in the workplan as potential contaminants of concern and analyses of samples obtained during the RFI indicated elevated concentrations of SVOCs.
2. If analytical results of the SVOC confirmatory samples indicate elevated concentrations, then LANL must conduct a quantitative human health and ecological risk screening assessment.
3. LANL shall base its SALs on US Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) Region IX residential Potential Remediation Goals (PRGs). LANL may, in addition to performing the MCE based on residential risk, present an evaluation of risk based on projected future land use. In response to this Notice of Deficiency (NOD) comment, LANL shall submit a table of revised SALs, SALs applied in the RFI report, and discuss any resulting differences which may affect the decisions made within this RFI Report.