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Mr. Benito Garcia, Chief
Hazardous and Radioactive
Materials Bureau
New Mexico Environment Department
2044A Galisteo Street
Santa Fe, NM 87505

**Re: Approval of RFI Report for TA-32
Los Alamos National Laboratory (NM0890010515)**

Dear Mr. Garcia:

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has reviewed and recommends approval with modification of the Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) RFI Report for TA-32 dated June 30, 1995. This report included information on the following Solid Waste Management Units: 32-001, 32-002(a,b), 32-003 and 32-004. The approved report consists of the RFI Report dated June 30, 1995, the NOD Response dated February 29, 1996, and the following modification:

In several of the NOD Responses, LANL indicates that sampling related to ecological concerns will be addressed when an ecorisk approach has been agreed to by NMED. It would be inefficient not to address ecological concerns at the same time as human health concerns are being addressed. Therefore, LANL shall in cases where Phase II sampling is proposed to address human health concerns or to determine the extent of contamination, also conduct sampling to address ecological concerns.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Ms. Barbara Driscoll at (214) 665-7441.

Sincerely,

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