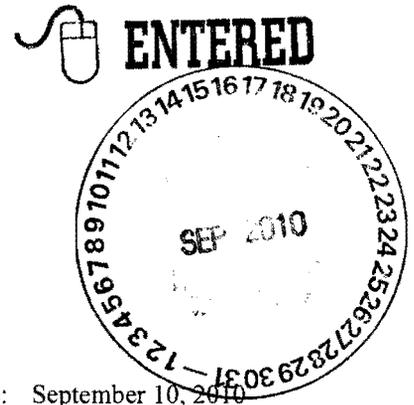




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Date: September 10, 2010
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LA-UR: 10-06100

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Dear Mr. Olson:

SUBJECT: DISCHARGE PERMIT APPLICATION (DP-1589), SEPTIC TANK/LEACHFIELD SYSTEMS, PUBLIC NOTICE SIGN LOCATIONS

On August 30, 2010, Los Alamos National Security, LLC (LANS) received your letter regarding the June 25, 2010, Discharge Permit Application (DP-1589) submitted by LANS and the National Nuclear Security Administrations (NNSA) for 15 domestic septic tank/leachfield systems. You notified LANS and the NNSA that the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) determined that the above referenced application was administratively complete. In addition, you provided LANS with instructions and materials necessary to implement the public notice required by Section 20.6.2.3108 NMAC. Following receipt of your letter, on September 2, 2010, staff from the LANS Water Quality & RCRA Group (M. Saladen and R. Beers) met with your staff (R. George and G. Knutson) to discuss implementation of the public notice. The topic of siting the 2 X 3 ft public notice signs was the principal discussion point and is the reason for this communication.

As shown in the attached map (Enclosure 1), the 15 septic tank/leachfield systems at the Laboratory are located within 13 different sections. Accordingly, based on guidance from your staff, a 2 X 3 ft public notice sign must be conspicuously posted within each of these 13 sections. The location of each sign is indicated on the attached map. In addition, the table below provides detailed information on each location. Please confirm that these posting locations are acceptable to your agency.

Map No.	System Name(s)	Location of 2 X 3 ft Public Notice Sign
1	58-0052	Sign will be posted at Guard House
2	690010	Sign will be posted at Guard House
3	16-0178 & 16-1194/95	Sign will be posted at the entrance to Technical Area (TA)-16
4	40-0025	Sign will be posted between septic system and the access road
5	66-0003	Sign will be posted on the entry gate to the facility
6	49-0119	Sign will be posted on the entry gate to the facility



Map No.	System Name(s)	Location of 2 X 3 ft Public Notice Sign
7	15-0569	Sign will be posted between septic system and the access road
8	15-0205	Sign will be posted between septic system and the access road
9	36-0274	Sign will be posted between septic system and the access road
10	39-0132 & 33-0161	Sign will be posted in the parking lot near the entrance to TA-39
11	33-0031	Sign will be posted on the chain link fence near the entrance gate to TA-33
12	33-0179	Sign will be posted between septic system and the access road
13	33-0096	Sign will be posted between septic system and the access road

Your August 30, 2010, letter included instructions and materials for completing the required public notice. However, only 11 of the 13 signs needed to properly post each section were provided; please send two additional 2 X 3 ft public notice signs for DP-1589. And finally, please clarify what is the correct public notice start date for DP-1589 since the previous start date needs to be reset due to the sign shortage.

Please contact me at (505) 667-7969 if you have questions.

Sincerely,



Bob Beers
Water Quality & RCRA Group

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