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Mr. Ivan Trujillo, LAAO AIP, POC
Department of Energy
Los Alamos Area Office
528 35th Street, Mail Stop A316
Los Alamos, NM 87544

RE: Liquid Discharge, SWMU 35-018(a), Operable Unit 1129, Field Unit 4, Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL), Los Alamos, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Trujillo:

On September 18, 1995, New Mexico Environment Department, Department of Energy Oversight Bureau (DOE OB) staff observed obvious soil staining from a liquid discharge, possibly motor oil, at SWMU 35-018(a). The referenced material covers an Environmental Restoration (ER) sample identification marker and the grouting material used to plug the subsurface penetration at the sampling location. Hence, the discharge of the liquid occurred sometime after the ER sampling event (spring 1995). ER personnel were notified on September 18, 1995, and they were already aware of the discharge. NMED DOE OB recommends that this release be investigated by DOE. Please contact Michael Dale at 672-0449 if you have any questions concerning this matter.

Sincerely,

Steve Yanicak, LANL POC, DOE OB
New Mexico Environment Department

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