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December 6, 1993

Mr. Thomas B. French  
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**RE: Comments on TA-40 Closure Plan and on the Research,  
Development and Demonstration (RD&D2) draft Permit**

Dear Mr. French,

This is to acknowledge receipt of your comments of November 9, 1993 regarding the Closure Plan of the Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) TA-40 and the RD&D2 draft Permit. Your comments indicating your support for the closure of the LANL TA-40 Scrap Detonation site and your opposition to the construction and operation of the proposed hydrothermal unit will be considered by the New Mexico Environment Department during the final determination of both the Closure Plan and the draft Permit.

The answers to your request for information regarding the amount of water being used to treat the two gallons of hazardous waste per hour and what contamination remains in the effluent from the plant are found on the enclosed two pages.

If you have further questions concerning this issue, you may contact Mr. Cornelius Amindyas of my staff at (505) 827-4308.

Sincerely,

Barbara Hoditschek, Manager  
RCRA Permits Program  
Hazardous and Radioactive Materials Bureau

Enclosures

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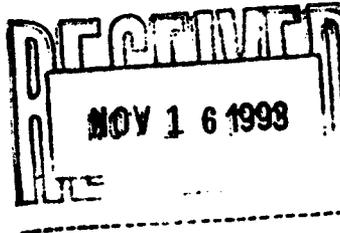
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Please send me information regarding the amount of water being used to treat the 2 gallons of hazardous waste per hour. Also, what contamination remains in the effluent from the plant?



October 20, 1993

Dear Concerned Citizen:

Enclosed is a Fact Sheet regarding a Draft Research, Development, and Demonstration Permit that the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) proposes for the Department of Energy (DOE)/Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) Hydrothermal Processing Unit.

Copies of the Draft Permit are available for review at the offices of the NMED Hazardous and Radioactive Materials Bureau, P.O. Box 26110, 525 Camino de los Marquez, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87502 between the hours of 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM, and at the Environmental Restoration Community Reading Room, 1450 Central Avenue, Suite 101, Los Alamos, New Mexico. Call the Reading Room for business hours.

If you wish to make comments on this Draft Permit, they must be in writing and be received by the NMED Hazardous and Radioactive Materials Bureau at the address mentioned above no later than **December 15, 1993**.

If you have any questions regarding this Draft Permit, please contact Mr. Carl Stubbs of my staff at (505) 827-4308 or at the Santa Fe address given above.

Sincerely,

Barbara Hoditschek  
Program Manager  
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*I am in opposition to the construction and operation of the LANL Hydrothermal Processing Unit.*

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*I support the closing of the Los Alamos National Laboratory TA-40 Scrap Detonation Site in Los Alamos, New Mexico. Precautions should be taken to prevent this kind of contamination in the future.*

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*Sincerely, Thomas B. French*



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Dear Concerned Citizen:

Enclosed is a fact sheet regarding a closure plan modification that the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) received from the Department of Energy (DOE)/Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) for final closure of a hazardous waste thermal treatment unit. The thermal treatment unit is located in Technical Area 40, Scrap Detonation Site. The thermal treatment unit is operating under interim status. Interim status was granted to those facilities in operation prior to the effective date of the regulations.

Copies of the closure plan modification are available for review at the offices of the NMED Hazardous and Radioactive Materials Bureau, P.O. Box 26110, 525 Camino de los Marquez, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87502 and at the Environmental Restoration Community Reading Room, 1450 Central Avenue, Suite 101, Los Alamos, New Mexico 87544.

If you wish to make comments on this closure plan modification, they must be in writing and be received by the NMED Hazardous and Radioactive Materials Bureau at the address mentioned above no later than **November 30, 1993**.

If you have any questions regarding this closure plan modification, please contact Carl Stubbs of my staff at (505) 827-4308 or at the Santa Fe address given above.

Sincerely,

*Barbara Hoditschek*

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*I support the closing of the Los Alamos National Laboratory TA-40 Scrap Detonation Site in Los Alamos, New Mexico. Precautions should be taken to prevent contamination and environmental and health hazards in the future.*

*Sincerely,*  
*Thomas B. French*

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