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May 2, 1994

Mr. Jerry L. Bellows
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528 35th Street
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Dear Mr. Bellows:

RE: APPROVAL OF TA-40 SCRAP DETONATION SITE CLOSURE PLAN
FACILITY I.D. No.: NM0890010515

The New Mexico Environment (NMED) is rescinding its letter of March 15, 1994 that was sent to you. That letter (copy herein attached) incorrectly stated that the Department of Energy/Los Alamos National Laboratory (DOE/LANL) had successfully demonstrated clean closure of Technical Area 40 (TA-40). The letter was intended to be an approval of the TA-40 closure plan.

To rectify the statements made in our March 15, 1994 letter NMED hereby approves the DOE/LANL TA-40 closure plan. NMED's decision on the success of the closure will be made after DOE/LANL has completed closure activities and demonstrated "clean closure" (closure by removal) at TA-40. A closure certification signed by DOE/LANL and by an independent registered professional engineer must be submitted within 60 days of completing closure activities.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, you may contact Barbara Hoditschek or Cornelius Amindyas at (505) 827-4308.

Sincerely,

Kathleen M. Sisneros, Director
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cc: Benito Garcia, Chief HRMB
David Neleigh, EPA Region 6H-PN

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RE: APPROVAL OF TA-40 SCRAP DETONATION SITE CLOSURE PLAN
FACILITY I.D. No.: NM08900105151

Dear Mr. Bellows:

The New Mexico Environment Department has determined, pursuant to the requirements of New Mexico Hazardous Waste Management Regulations (HWMR-7), Part IX, § 270.1(c)(5)(6), that the Department of Energy/Los Alamos National Laboratory (DOE)/LANL has ~~successfully demonstrated clean closure for~~ the former Scrap Detonation Site located in Technical Area 40 (TA-40). This determination was based on the administrative and technical review of the following documents:

- LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY AMENDMENT TO THE FINAL CLOSURE PLAN, TA-40 SCRAP DETONATION SITE, May, 1993.
- REVISED FINAL CLOSURE PLAN, TA-40 SCRAP DETONATION SITE, DOE/LANL, 1991.

Based on review of the above reports, NMED has determined that the soil and groundwater beneath the closed site has no demonstrated potential to be impacted by the hazardous waste once treated at the Scrap Detonation Site in TA-40.

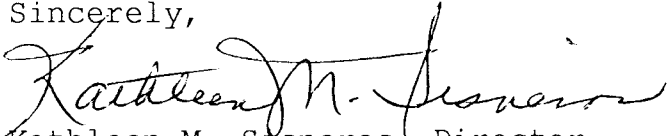
NMED hereby approves clean closure of the Scrap Detonation Site located in Technical Area 40, and terminates interim status for the unit. The effective date of termination of interim status for this unit is March 15, 1994.

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