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August 24, 1995

Mr. Larry Kirkman
Department of Energy
Los Alamos Area Office
528 35th Street
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Dear Mr. Kirkman:

**RE: Approval of TA-40 Scrap Detonation Site Final Closure
EPA ID No. NM 0890010515-1**

On July 28, 1995, the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) issued conditional approval to the Department of Energy/Los Alamos National Laboratory (DOE/LANL) of final clean closure for the former Scrap Detonation Site (SDS) in Technical Area 40. The condition for final approval required LANL to submit a map which accurately depicts the sampling locations and extent of excavations conducted during cleanup activities at the SDS. On August 22, 1995, Mr. Roy Bohn of LANL delivered two sets of maps to the Hazardous and Radioactive Materials Bureau office which satisfy all requirements of the July 28 letter.

NMED hereby approves clean closure of the former Scrap Detonation Site in Technical Area 40. The effective date of approval of clean closure for this unit is August 23, 1995.

If you have any questions, please contact Steve Zappe of my staff at (505) 827-4308.

Sincerely,

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