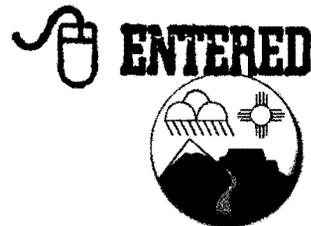




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**SUBJECT: Spill Response Assessment and Suggestion for Closeout of unanticipated bypass (spill) of Treated Sanitary Wastewater release at TA-46, LANL Discharge Notification Report # 201 on June 9, 2008.**

Dear Mr. Turner:

On June 6, 2008, the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) was notified of unanticipated bypass (spill) of treated sanitary wastewater release at Technical Area 46 (TA-46) due to a break in an 8-inch hydrant line at Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Alamos, New Mexico. This accidental release was reported to the Emergency Spill Hotline as required by 20.6.2.1203 NMAC of the Water Quality Control Commission. The approximate amount of the release was 2000 gallons of treated sanitary wastewater.

The DOE Oversight Bureau has reviewed the 7 and 15 day spill response action reports received on June 12, 2008 and from a follow-up investigation of the discharge site performed on 6/10/2008, the DOE Oversight Bureau has found that the actions taken by the facility to mitigate the release, was adequate. The Oversight Bureau believes the response and clean up is complete and recommends that no further action is required at this time under this discharge notification. However, this letter does not relieve the United States Department of Energy or the Los Alamos National Security, LLC, of its obligation to comply with any other applicable laws and regulations.

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If you have any questions regarding this recommendation, please contact Erik Galloway of our Santa Fe office at (505) 476-6024.

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