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PUBLIC COMMENT  
LANL TA-50 AREA  
CAI, CONTROLLED AIR RADIOACTIVE WASTES INCINERATOR  
EPA/EID #NM0890010515

- (1) It is my understanding from Richard Mayer of EPA, Dallas on 7/13/89 that EPA inspectors never actually inspected the CAI when it was operating, only observed it from the outside when it was not operating; hence, they never observed and witnessed pressure drop across the carbon bed filter to determine if it was working correctly to specification.
- (2) Did EPA inspectors witness sampling protocols during the DRE test burns? Or do they simply take DOE's word for it?
- (3) I understand from Greenpeace that both Senators Pete Wilson and Alan Cranston are opposed to a similar CAI radioactive wastes incinerator at U.C./DOE Lawrence Livermore Laboratory in CA. Why are they opposed to it and if they don't incinerate the wastes, what will they do with them, immobilize them by clay and synthetic barrier surroundment on site?
- (4) The LANL CAI does not meet the CA. Air Resource Board PM<sub>2</sub> particulates limit although it is operated by the Regents of the University of Calif. This is important due to radioactive elements adsorption onto sub-micron particulates. The LANL unit fails the test.  
Does the Lawrence Livermore Lab CAI meet the CA. PM<sub>2</sub> particulate stack gas emissions limit?
- (5) The most current EA, specific to the TA-50 CAI, is not available from DOE.

Sincerely,



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