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Mr. H.L. "Jody" Plum
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Dear Mr. Plum:

RE: Part A Permit Applications for the Radioactive Materials Research, Operations and Demonstration (RAMROD) Facility and the Electrochemical Treatment Unit (ETU) at Technical Area (TA) 50 Building 37, Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL)

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) Hazardous and Radioactive Materials Bureau (HRMB) has reviewed the Part A for the Permit Modification of the RAMROD Facility Container Storage Areas at TA-50-37. The Part A submitted by LANL was completed on an older version of EPA Form 8700-23 (01-90). HRMB is not requiring that LANL resubmit the Part A Form on the revised EPA Form 8700-23 (Rev. 11/30/93) for the RAMROD Facility Permit Modification. The revisions of the Part A Form are minimal. HRMB is requiring that LANL use the revised Part A EPA Form (enclosed) for future permit requirements.

The ETU Research, Development and Demonstration (RD&D) Permit Application is currently being reviewed by NMED. A Part A was not submitted with the permit application. Under Section 270.65(a)(3) of the Hazardous Waste Management Regulations, 20 NMAC 4.1, the Part A permit application is required by the NMED. LANL has provided Part A permit applications with past RD&D permit application submittals. The submittal of the Part A permit application will also provide additional assurance that all items will be covered within the application.



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If you have any questions please call Mr. John Kieling of my staff
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Sincerely,



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Attachment

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