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RE: Response to the "Follow-up on Issues from the March Monthly Meeting" letter

Dear Mr. Plum:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) Hazardous and Radioactive Materials Bureau (HRMB) is responding to the letter dated March 27, 1997, in reference to several issues brought up during the Department of Energy (DOE)/Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) Waste Management monthly meeting with HRMB. The following indicates HRMB's position regarding each issue:

- For clarification as part of the RANT, WCRRF and TA-50-1 Decon Facility application approvals, the TA-50-1 Decon Facility is approved.
- With regards to the approval of the TWISP project, NMED is evaluating the appropriate response to DOE/LANL's inquiry. A response to this inquiry will be delivered in the near future.
- The amended language for the permit on the approvals of the RANT, WCRRF and TA-50-1 Decon Facility will be delivered in the near future. In the interim, LANL will operate according to the applications for each facility.
- HRMB agrees with the approach that the stack, HEPA filtration bank, plenum and associated ducts and fans used as part of the CAI could be used in association with the RAMROD operations at TA-50-37. The RAMROD application must be amended to include this equipment and address closure as part of the RAMROD activities. The revised pages to the RAMROD application should be delivered to HRMB within 30 days upon receipt of this letter.



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If you have any questions regarding these issues please contact myself or Mr. John Kieling of my staff at (505) 827-1561.

Sincerely,



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