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CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

March 31, 1998

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Dr. John Browne, Director
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Dear Mr. Todd and Dr. Browne:

RE: Request for Supplemental Information, Closure Certification Report for the Controlled Air Incinerator at Technical Area 50 EPA I.D. No. NM 089 001 0515

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) Hazardous and Radioactive Materials Bureau (HRMB) has completed administrative review of DOE/LANL's (LANL) Closure Certification Report dated August 27, 1997 for the Controlled Air Incinerator at Technical Area 50.

Administrative review of the Closure Certification Report reveals a failure to comply with all the requirements of the closure plan. Detailed comments are included as Attachment A.

LANL is now required to respond to this Request for Supplemental Information within thirty (30) calendar days of receipt of this letter. If the receipt is not signed, LANL will respond within thirty (30) calendar days of the date of this letter. LANL must submit an amended Closure Certification Report in highlight/strikeout and clean versions incorporating responses to HRMB's comments. No extension will be granted beyond the thirty days. If the requested information is received within the thirty days, the Closure Certification/Verification Not According to Plan will be approved. If the requested information is not received within the thirty days, the Closure Certification/Verification Not According to Plan will be denied.

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If there are any questions please feel free to contact Mr. John Kieling, HRMB's LANL facility manager at (505) 827-1561.

Sincerely,



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Attachment

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ATTACHMENT A
REQUEST FOR SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION COMMENTS

- 1) The closure report lacks detection limits for each datum as required by closure plan section E.4.11.c.4. LANL must provide all detection limits.
- 2) The closure report lacks identification of analytical procedure as required by closure plan section E.4.11.c.6. LANL must identify all analytical procedures.
- 3) The closure report lacks a QA/QC statement on the adequacy of the analyses and the decontamination determination as required by closure plan section E.4.11.d. LANL shall provide this QA/QC statement.
- 4) The closure log book lacks the following minimum entry requirements of closure plan section E.4.9:

E.4.9.c: Name and address of person making log entry;

E.4.9.h: Sample destination and transporter's name.

Because the log book cannot be redone, LANL is unable to correct this oversight and no response is necessary. However, although the cleanup goal was achieved, the closure was not performed according to the closure plan and cannot be certified as such. If the closure is approved it will be approved as an equivalent closure meeting the closure performance standard.