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**CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

Mr. James P. Bearzi
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Dear Mr. Bearzi:

SUBJECT: INVOICE NO. HWB-LANL-99-D48, NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLETENESS RCRA PERMIT APPLICATION TECHNICAL AREA 50, REVISION 2.0, 2/2001, and INVOICE NO. HWB-LANL-AUA-00, 2000 AUA FEE

In accordance with the provisions of 20.4.2.301.1 NMAC, the U.S Department of Energy (DOE) and the Regents of the University of California, (UC) hereby request approval from the Hazardous Waste Bureau for an extension of time in the which to pay the two invoices identified above.

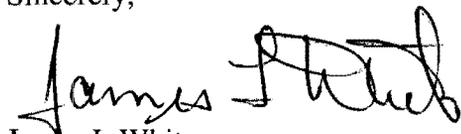
DOE and UC have appealed the invoice amounts, in accordance with the provisions of 20.4.2.302.1 NMAC, and request that payment of the invoices be extended unit 30 days after the appeal process is complete, or 30 days after the parties have resolved these issues through negotiation and entered into written settlement agreements.

DOE and UC are interested in continuing discussions of this matter with NMED, and the agency has indicated its willingness to reexamine the invoices. DOE and UC face potentially large interest charges if this matters cannot be resolved quickly and seek to avoid any penalties for exercising the right of appeal provided for by state law.

DOE and UC appreciate the willingness of NMED to review and negotiate the AUA fee and the permit fee being assessed for Technical Area 50 and look forward to the resolution of these situations. If you should have any questions concerning this issue please feel free to contact either Gene Turner of DOE at 667-5794 or Jack Ellvinger of UC at 667-0633.

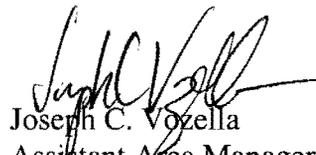


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