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TO: Benito J. Garcia, Chief, HRMB

FROM: Steve Yanicak, NMED DOE OB Site POC

DATE: October 16, 1995

RE: NMED DOE OB review of *Modification to Phase I Material Disposal Area (MDA) G drilling plan, Field Unit 5.*

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The DOE Oversight Bureau (DOE OB) has reviewed the subject document. The following technical comments are provided for the purpose of communicating the results of the DOE OB review. These comments are not provided or intended for the purpose of representing the regulatory position of the New Mexico Environment Department.

Area G is located at Technical Area (TA) 54 at Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) on Mesita Del Buey, a mesa of the Pajarito Plateau about 5 km southeast of the town of Los Alamos. Area G is the main site for the storage and disposal of low level radioactive waste at LANL and has been an active waste site since 1957. As part of the Operable Unit (OU) 1148 RFI Workplan LANL is installing 19 boreholes at Area G. The following comments are in regard to the proposed modifications as stated in a letter to Barbara Driscoll of EPA dated September 27, 1995.

After review of this plan, NMED DOE OB has no recommendations and no objections to its implementation.

If there are any questions, please contact me (672-0448) or Chris Hanlon-Meyer (827-1536).

Reviewed by: Chris Hanlon-Meyer

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