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SUBJECT: Spill Response Assessment and Suggestion for Closeout of Antifreeze and Motor Oil Release at TA-55, LANL Discharge Notification Report # 203 on July 8, 2008.

Dear Mr. Turner:

On July 8, 2008, the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) was notified of antifreeze and motor oil release at Technical Area (TA) 55, located at Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Alamos, New Mexico. This accidental release was reported to the Emergency Spill Hotline as required by 20.6.2.1203 NMAC of the Water Quality Control Commission. The approximate amount of the release was 0.5 gallons of motor oil and 2.5 gallons of antifreeze and was due to a collision between a privately owned vehicle (POV) and a government vehicle on Pajarito Road outside of TA-55.

The DOE Oversight Bureau has reviewed spill response action report received on July 14, 2008 and has found it adequate due to the isolation of the release, application of Microblaze® to the impacted area, and the use of oil absorbent booms to help prevent oil and antifreeze from entering the drainage system. The Oversight Bureau believes the response by Laboratory HAZMAT personnel was adequate and recommends that no further action is required at this time under this discharge notification. However, this letter does not relieve the United States Department of Energy or the Los Alamos National Security, LLC, of its obligation to comply with any other applicable laws and regulations.

If you have any questions regarding this recommendation, please contact Erik Galloway of our Santa Fe office at (505) 476-6024.

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