

# interoffice MEMORANDUM

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**to:** Mr. Robert S. Dinwiddie  
**from:** Kim T. Hill, Environmental Engineer *KTH*  
**subject:** Response to the Notice of Deficiency for the  
 DOE/LANL Closure Plan for  
 Technical Area 55, Oxygen Sparging Unit  
 dated May 24, 1996  
**date:** July 18, 1996



A technical review of the "Response to the Notice of Deficiency (NOD) for the DOE/LANL Closure Plan for the Technical Area 55 (TA-55), Oxygen Sparging Unit (OSU)" (the "Response") was performed.

In response to our NOD, DOE/LANL has provided NMED with information sufficient to demonstrate that the operation and closure of the OSU was conducted in a manner protective of human health and the environment. Based on the characteristics of the feed material and the treatment process, no hazardous wastes or constituents were believed present at the OSU at the time of closure. Therefore, no sampling of the unit for hazardous waste or constituents was performed as part of the unit's closure. However, specific procedures for the cleaning and decontamination of the unit (as required by 20 NMAC 4.1, Subpart VI at 40 CFR §265.112) were conducted and are provided on page 6 of the Response.

It is recommended that pertinent portions of the Response, specifically pages 1-7 and relevant attachments, be incorporated into the original closure plan submittal for public notification.

cc: B. Hoditschek, file



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