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Mr. Ron Johnson  
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Alvarado Square  
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Dear Mr. Johnson:

This letter is in response to Public Service Company Of New Mexico (PNM)'s written request dated August 31, 1992 to modify PNM's Sampling and Analysis Plan (SAP) at Person Generating Station for pH requirements. After review of the SW-846 Method 9040 (pH Electrometric Measurement) and your comments concerning the requirement within the SAP to achieve successive pH readings to 0.01 pH units; Hazardous and Radioactive Materials Bureau (HRMB) grants PNM's request to modify the pH stabilization requirements within the SAP to read as follows: " the pH meter calibrations using buffer standards shall be performed in a manner such that successive readings within 0.05 pH units will be considered stable. The well purge water shall be considered stabilized with respect to pH when three successive readings are within <0.1 pH units. All other aspects of the pH electrometric measurements shall follow SW-846 Method 9040."

Thank you for bringing this matter to our attention. If you should have any questions or comments concerning this matter please contact Teri Davis, 827-4313.

Sincerely,

Ed Horst, RCRA Program Manager  
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cc: Ed Horst  
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