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Mr. James Cochran, Manager  
Environmental, Health and Safety  
Philips Semiconductors  
9201 Pan American Freeway NE  
Albuquerque, NM 87113

Dear Mr. Cochran:

You are hereby notified that the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has initiated modification procedures with respect to the permit issued pursuant to the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), as amended by the Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments of 1984 (HSWA), to Philips Semiconductors (Philips), EPA ID Number NMD000709782, 9201 Pan American Freeway NE, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

The cause for modification is the review of new information that was not available at the time of permit issuance, as per 40 CFR 270.41(a)(2) which states that:

The Director has received information. Permits may be modified during their terms for this cause only if the information was not available at the time of permit issuance...and would have justified the application of different permit conditions at the time of issuance.

More specifically, the EPA has reviewed new information concerning the Philips facility, including the results of the RCRA Facility Assessment (RFA) completed in October 1992 and recent groundwater monitoring information. The RFA identified the abandoned Coronado Municipal Landfill, located on Philips Semiconductors' property, as a solid waste management unit (SWMU) that required additional investigation and remediation.

As a result of this information not being available at the time of permit issuance, the current permit condition B.4 states that "The permittee has determined that the facility contains no solid waste management units other than the RCRA regulated units identified in B.1." This portion of the permit is therefore being modified to include a compliance schedule for the investigation of the Coronado Municipal Landfill SWMU.



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You are also notified that Philips is obligated under 40 CFR 270.10 to submit an application for permit reissuance at least 180 days prior to the current permit expiration date of April 1, 1996. EPA requests that Philips submit written notification within 270 days of permit expiration as to their intent to renew the permit.

Please contact Nancy Morlock of my staff at (214) 665-6650 if you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely yours,



William K. Honker, P.E., Chief  
RCRA Permits Branch

cc: Mr. Benito Garcia ✓  
New Mexico Environment Department  
Mr. James N. Casey  
Philips Semiconductors