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CERTIFIED MAIL – RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. John E. Kieling, Program Manager
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Dear Mr. Kieling:

On April 16, 2003, the Department of Energy (DOE) and Sandia Corporation (Sandia), submitted responses to 151 comments included in Notice of Deficiency HWB-SNL-02-002 for Sandia National Laboratories, EPA ID NM5890110518.

In the response to NMED Comment # 450, DOE and Sandia noted that the storage capacity provided by the High Bay Waste Storage Facility will not be needed in the future, and an amended closure plan would be submitted to NMED for approval by September 30, 2003. Due to unexpected schedule constraints, DOE and Sandia request a 30-day extension to the deadline.

DOE and Sandia are available to provide additional information as needed. If you have any questions regarding this submittal, please contact John Gould of my staff at (505) 845-6089.

Sincerely,

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Manager

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