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Dear Mr. Kieling:

On behalf of the Department of Energy (DOE) and Sandia Corporation (Sandia), the DOE is hereby requesting that Manzano Bunkers 37063 and 37078 be withdrawn from the comprehensive Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Part A and Part B permit request for Sandia National Laboratories (SNL), EPA ID NM5890110518. This withdrawal request is submitted in accordance with 20 NMAC 4.1.900 incorporating 40 CFR 270.11.

The DOE and Sandia have operated seven bunkers for storage of RCRA-regulated wastes under interim status (Part A) since August 1990 to maintain sufficient capacity for waste storage. Two of those bunkers (37063 and 37078) provided extra capacity that was not and will not be needed, and they have never been used for RCRA-regulated waste management under 20 NMAC 4.1.600 / 40 CFR 265. Therefore, DOE and Sandia wish to terminate interim status and withdraw them from the Part A and Part B.

All seven bunkers were included in the comprehensive Part B permit request that DOE and Sandia submitted to the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) on February 6, 2002. Bunkers 37063 and 37078 were removed from the comprehensive Part B in Revision 3.0, submitted to NMED on April 16, 2003. The bunkers are currently included in the General Part A (Revision 6.0, submitted November 12, 2003). DOE and Sandia will submit a revised Part A after NMED has approved the withdrawal of the units and termination of interim status.

DOE and Sandia are available to provide additional information as needed. If you have any questions regarding this submittal, please contact Dave Rast of my staff at (505) 845-6349.

Sincerely,

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Request for Withdrawal from Comprehensive Part B Permit Request
and Termination of Interim Status

CERTIFICATION STATEMENT

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information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate,
and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information,
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