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**RE: NOTICE OF APPROVAL AND CERTIFICATION OF COMPLETION:  
SWMU 5 LWDS DRAINFIELD (TA-V), RESPONSES TO REQUEST FOR  
SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION FOR SWMU 4, LWDS SURFACE  
IMPOUNDMENTS, JANUARY 2006  
SANDIA NATIONAL LABORATORIES EPA ID# NM5890110518  
HWB-SNL-99-006 AND HWB-SNL-99-020**

Dear Ms. Wagner and Mr. Davies:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has reviewed the U. S. Department of Energy's and Sandia Corporation's (collectively, the Permittees') response to the November 2005 Request for Supplemental Information for Solid Waste Management Unit (SWMU) 4. The response is herein deemed adequate.

NMED hereby issues a Certificate of Completion for Corrective Action Complete (CAC) With Controls for SWMU 4. SWMU 4 appears to be suitable only for CAC status under an industrial land-use scenario. In this case, the concentrations of metals in the soil at the site preclude its future use without controls.

After further consideration, NMED has determined that the groundwater contamination at Technical Area 5 can be adequately addressed pursuant to the requirements in the Compliance Order On Consent (April 29, 2004). Therefore, the Permittees are issued a Certificate of Completion for Corrective Action Without Controls for SWMU 5.

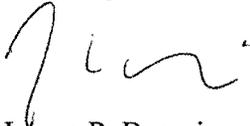


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The Permittees may initiate a Class 3 permit modification request for Corrective Action Complete for SWMUs 4 and 5. The Class 3 Permit modification request includes requirements for public notice and for providing opportunity for public comments that are mandatory. In accordance with Section III.W.3.b of the Compliance Order on Consent, NMED's determination that corrective action is complete is subject to the State's reservation of rights for new information or unknown conditions. As part of the Permit modification request process, new information may become available during the public comment period that a previously issued Certificate of Completion for a given site is not protective of human health or the environment. In accordance with Section III.T.2 of the Compliance Order on Consent, the State reserves all rights against the Permittees, and may withdraw a previously issued Certificate of Completion for any site where new information indicates that further corrective action is needed to protect human health and the environment.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Mr. Brian L. Salem of my staff at (505) 845-5932.

Sincerely,



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