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SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF CLOSURE OF MANZANO BUNKERS 37063 AND 37078 SANDIA NATIONAL LABORATORIES, EPA ID # NM5890110518 HWB-SNL-03-021

Dear Ms. Wagner and Mr. Figueroa:

On February 2, 2005 the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) performed a physical inspection of the Manzano Bunkers #37063 and #37078, reviewed the waste inventory tracking information for the period 1995 through 2004, and also reviewed the hazardous waste determinations for five containers stored at the bunkers at that time. NMED concurs with the U.S. Department of Energy/Sandia Corporations’ request for closure based on the fact that no storage of hazardous or mixed waste occurred in these two storage units.

Therefore, the NMED approves the administrative closure of the Manzano Bunkers #37063 and #37078. The two Manzano Bunker storage units will no longer be authorized for storage of hazardous waste for greater than 90 days pursuant to the New Mexico Hazardous Waste Act (HWA), NMSA 1978 §§ 74-4-1 et seq., the Federal Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), 42 U.S.C. §§ 6901 et seq., and New Mexico Hazardous Waste Management Regulations 20.4.1 NMAC.
Please contact Cornelius Amindyas at (505) 222-9543, if you have any questions or need additional information on this matter.

Sincerely,

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