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**The Honorable Jeff Bingaman
U.S Senate
703 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510**

Dear Senator Bingaman:

We are writing to express our serious concern about the Triassic Park Hazardous Waste Disposal Facility proposed for a location east of Roswell.

We only recently learned of this project by way of friends in a local conservation group and need more time to learn about and understand the risks and safeguards involved. What kinds of hazardous materials will be stored there? What are the risks to wildlife and local ecosystems?

Most importantly, as a registered nurse working in the community, I, Sue, am concerned about the health risks to the adults and children who live in the area, grow food on the land, breathe the air and drink the water. We already have a national radioactive waste disposal site near Carlsbad. Why must New Mexico host another toxic waste facility?

There needs to be more time for people in this community to study these and other questions. We need to hear from the planners, developers and our government representatives. The people of Roswell, Lovington and Hobbs deserve full disclosure. Please give us the facts.

We feel a 90-day extension on the public comment period is a minimal requirement to fully inform New Mexicans, and to allow our voices to be heard. We urge you to support this dialogue.

Sincerely,



Sue M. Chianta
Joseph and Sue Chianta

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