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January 12, 2000

Mr. Keith Klein, Manager
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Dear Mr. Klein:

The recently received Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) hazardous waste facility permit contains requirements for written notifications to the generator/storage sites about the permit and retention of those notifications as a record at WIPP.

This letter provides the written notification that WIPP received a Hazardous Waste Facility Permit (Permit Number: NM4890139088-TSDF) on October 27, 1999, from the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED). Receipt of this permit and compliance with the provisions therein is required to enable the Department of Energy to begin receiving TRU-mixed waste from the generator/storage sites. The effective date of the hazardous waste facility permit was November 26, 1999.

This notice is being issued to satisfy the Permit condition in Section II.B.2 which states: "Before the Permittees receive TRU mixed waste from an off-site source for the first time, they shall inform the generator/storage site in writing that they have the appropriate Permits for, and will accept, the waste the generator/storage site is shipping. The Permittees shall keep a copy of this written notice as part of the operating record, as required by 20 NMAC 4.1.500 (incorporating 40 CFR §264.12(b))."

Generator/storage sites will receive an additional notification regarding their certification approval prior to being authorized to ship TRU-mixed waste to the WIPP.

Please contact Cynthia Zvonar of my staff at (505) 234-7495 should you have any questions regarding this transmittal.

Sincerely,

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