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Mr. John Kieling, Hazardous Waste Permits Program Manager
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Dear Mr. Kieling:

This letter transmits a copy of the surveillance notification letter and surveillance plan for the Carlsbad Area Office (CAO) surveillance to be conducted at the Hanford Site on March 28-30, 2000. Although not a requirement of the WIPP Hazardous Waste permit, this is being provided for your information.

Please contact the CAO Quality Assurance Manager, Sam Vega, at (505) 234-7423, should you have any questions concerning this information.

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DATE: March 9, 2000

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: CAO:QA:SAV:00-0249 UFC 2300


SUBJECT: Surveillance (S-00-04) of Hanford TRU Waste Characterization and Certification Programs

TO: Mark S. French, RL

Please be advised that a surveillance team from the Carlsbad Area Office (CAO) will conduct a surveillance and corrective action follow-up at the Hanford Site in Richland, Washington, March 28-30, 2000. The surveillance and follow-up activities will be conducted in accordance with the attached surveillance plan. Observers from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and other interested parties may also accompany the surveillance team.

Your representatives are requested to coordinate with the surveillance team to develop the necessary documentation for team access to Hanford facilities, arrange for appropriate space to conduct meetings, provide cognizant personnel to support the surveillance, and provide the surveillance team with access to appropriate documentation and records.

If you have any questions or comments concerning the surveillance, please contact me at (505) 234-7423.


for Samuel A. Vega
Quality Assurance Manager

Attachment

cc w/attachment:

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CARLSBAD AREA OFFICE SURVEILLANCE PLAN

Surveillance

Number: S-00-04

Organization : Hanford Site

**Organizations
to be Notified:**

Hanford Site
New Mexico Environment Department
Environmental Protection Agency
Environmental Evaluation Group
Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board

**Date and
Location:** March 28-30, 2000
Richland, Washington

**Surveillance
Team:**

Sam Vega	CAO QA Manager
Steve Calvert	Surveillance Team Leader, CTAC
Dave Kimbro	CTAC
Pete Rodriguez	CTAC
Kerry Watson	Technical Specialist, CTAC
BJ Verret	Technical Specialist, CTAC
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Surveillance Scope: The surveillance will evaluate the adequacy, implementation, and effectiveness of the applicable technical processes related to nondestructive assay systems. The surveillance will also document the results of follow-up activities related to the verification of corrective action implementation for issues identified in CAO Audits A-99-05 and A-00-05.

Activities/Tasks to be Assessed:

Verification of corrective actions in the following quality assurance elements will be evaluated:

Personnel Qualification and Training
Documents Control
Corrective Action
Audits/Assessments

The following technical element will be evaluated:

Nondestructive Assay (NDA)

Verification of corrective actions in the following technical elements will be evaluated:

Nondestructive Assay (NDA)
Real Time Radioscopy (RTR)
Visual Examination
Gas Analysis
Data Verification & Validation
Acceptable Knowledge
WIPP Waste Information System (WWIS)

Governing Documents/Requirements:

Adequacy evaluations of Hanford TWCP documents will be based on the following documents:

CAO Quality Assurance Program Document (QAPD), CAO-94-1012, Revision 3

Waste Analysis Plan (WAP), Attachment B6, of the RCRA Part B Permit

Waste Acceptance Criteria (WAC) for the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant, DOE/WIPP-069, Revision 7

Programmatic and technical checklists will be developed from the following documents:

Hanford Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPjP) for the Transuranic Waste Certification Program, Revision 2

Hanford Site Transuranic Waste Certification Plan, HNF-2600, Revision 2

Related Hanford technical and quality assurance implementing procedures

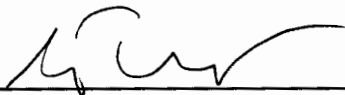
Schedule of Surveillance Activities:

The surveillance is scheduled to start Tuesday, March 28, 2000 at 8:00 a.m. at the Hanford 200 West Area facility.

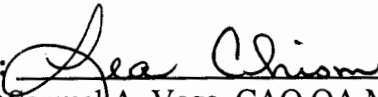

Team caucuses will be held at 4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday in a Hanford 200 West Area conference room.

The Surveillance Team Leader will meet with the appropriate Hanford management at 8:30 a.m. Wednesday in a Hanford 200 Area conference room.

The surveillance is scheduled to conclude on Thursday, March 30, 2000.

Prepared By: 
Steven D. Calvert, Surveillance Team Leader

Date: 3/2/00

Approved By: 
 Samuel A. Vega, CAO QA Manager

Date: 3/9/00