July 17, 2000

Doctor Ines Triay, Manager
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Dear Doctor Triay:

Pursuant to agreements worked out between representative of your office and the New Mexico Radioactive Waste Consultation Task Force, I am enclosing the most recent revision to the living document entitled “WIPP Shipment Notification to New Mexico.” Revision 7, July 2000.

This latest revision has made administrative changes to this document, as follows:

a. References a requirement for DOE-CAO to ensure that NMSP District One Dispatch Center and the MTD Port-of-Entry are both notified by phone approximately two (2) hours prior to any WIPP shipment entering the State of New Mexico.

b. Attachment I to the document has been updated to reflect the new DPS Cabinet Secretary and to include changes which have been made in the Motor Transportation Division staffing.

We greatly appreciate the continued cooperative spirit exhibited by your office and feel confident that any issue remaining unresolved will be worked out in a manner satisfactory to all.

Sincerely,

Jennifer A. Salisbury
Chair, Radioactive Waste Consultation Task Force

Enclosure (1)

Cc: Governor Gary E. Johnson
Task Force Cabinet Agencies
Jim Klaus, DOE-CAO Transportation Manager
Ralph Smith, Institutional Program Manager
WIPP SHIPMENT NOTIFICATION TO NEW MEXICO

Procedures Applicable to WIPP Shipments

- Annual Schedule:
  1. To be developed in writing by the U.S. Department of Energy's Carlsbad Area Office (DOE-CAO), in consultation with the State of New Mexico.
  2. To be provided directly to the Governor of New Mexico, the Task Force Chair, and to the DPS Secretary, as indicated in Attachment I, by January 31 and July 31 of each year for the subsequent 12-month period.
  3. To include the most current, accurate information available on the projected timing and number of prospective WIPP shipments from each point-of-origin site over the coming year. In addition, the schedule will delineate this information:
     a. to indicate the opening of any new shipping corridors;
     b. by rate of dispatch (i.e., average number of shipments per week from each point-of-origin site); and
     c. by type of transuranic waste (i.e., either contact-handled or remote-handled).

- Eight-Week Projection Updated Monthly on TRANSCOM:
  1. DOE-CAO will ensure that the eight-week projection of scheduled WIPP shipments posted on TRANSCOM is revised and updated, as necessary, at the end of each month.
  2. Any subsequent changes to the information provided in the monthly revision/update to the eight-week projection will be posted immediately on TRANSCOM by DOE-CAO.

- Two (2) hours prior to a WIPP shipment entering the State of New Mexico:

DOE-CAO will ensure NMSP District One's Dispatch Center and MTD's nearest Port of Entry, as indicated in Attachment I, are directly notified by phone approximately two (2) hours prior to a WIPP shipment entering New Mexico.
Procedures Applicable to WIPP Shipments (continued)

• Notification on TRANSCOM of Shipment Dispatch from Point-of-Origin Site:

1. DOE-CAO will ensure each shipment’s bill of lading/uniform hazardous waste manifest is posted on TRANSCOM prior to dispatch of the shipment.

2. DOE-CAO will ensure that a message is posted on TRANSCOM immediately upon dispatch of a WIPP shipment. The message will, at a minimum, indicate the date and time of shipment departure from the point-of-origin site.

• Notification on TRANSCOM of any Unscheduled Shipment Stops en route to WIPP:

1. DOE-CAO will ensure that a message is posted on TRANSCOM immediately upon any unscheduled stops of a WIPP shipment. The term "unscheduled stops" includes any stops or delays en route that exceed thirty (30) minutes in duration.

2. The message pertaining to the unscheduled stop shall indicate the reason for the stop or delay, the specific location of the vehicle, and the estimated time for the shipment to resume normal operations en route to WIPP.

3. Upon the shipment resuming normal operations en route to WIPP, DOE-CAO will ensure a message to that effect is posted immediately on TRANSCOM.

• Notification on TRANSCOM of Scheduled Shipment Stops en route to WIPP:

1. DOE-CAO will ensure that a message is posted on TRANSCOM immediately upon any scheduled stops of the first WIPP shipment. The term "scheduled stops" includes any stops for food, fuel, and routine vehicle/load securement inspections by the drivers.

2. The message pertaining to the scheduled stop shall indicate the reason for the stop and the specific location of the vehicle (nearest city, mile marker).

3. Upon the shipment resuming travel to WIPP, DOE-CAO will ensure a message to that effect is posted immediately on TRANSCOM.

• Notification on TRANSCOM of Shipment Arrival at the WIPP Site:

1. DOE-CAO will ensure that a message is posted on TRANSCOM immediately upon the shipment’s arrival at WIPP.

2. The message will, at a minimum, indicate the date and time of shipment arrival at WIPP.
ATTACHMENT I:
WIPP SHIPMENT NOTIFICATION TO NEW MEXICO

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(505/827-9619: Office 505/855-8075: Pager)
State Police District 1 Communications Center
(505/827-9300; available 24 hours/day)
New Mexico Motor Transportation Division (MTD):

CONTACTS for WIPP VEHICLE INSPECTIONS

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Capt. Ernesto Pinon (505/461-0560, Ext. 114)

Raton Port of Entry (for Hanford, INEEL, Rocky Flats shipments)
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Carlsbad Port of Entry (for SRS, Mound, ANL-E, Oak Ridge shipments)
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