September 1, 2000

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Dear Dr. Triay:

To follow up on our recent discussions regarding the New Mexico Environment Department's additional resource needs concerning our activities implementing the WIPP RCRA permit, I amend my letter of August 3, 2000, adding $150,000 to support one FTE. The additional activities to be conducted will be directed toward enhanced interaction and information exchange between NMED and states that will be shipping waste to WIPP. I believe such exchange will lead to more efficient means of assessing the status of waste shipments. This interaction will require a significant amount of out-of-state travel, estimated at 24 trips per year.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Peter Maggiore
Cabinet Secretary