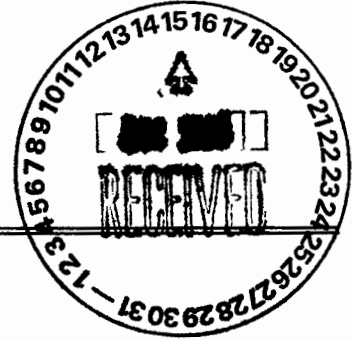


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December 8, 2000
Waste Isolation Pilot Plant
Notification of Class 1 Permit Modifications

The US Department of Energy (DOE) Carlsbad Field Office (CBFO) and Westinghouse Government Environmental Services Company, Waste Isolation Division (WID) are providing this summary of recent Class 1 Permit Modifications to the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant Hazardous Waste Facility Permit, Permit Number: NM4890139088-TSDF as specified in Module I.B.1. Notifications of these Class 1 permit modifications have been submitted to the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED).

The following summarizes the changes made and locations within the permit that were affected.

September 14, 2000

- Update applicable underground figures to add Panel 2 and revise the underground inspection form to reflect current operations (Figures F-3, F-5, F-9, I-1, I2-1, I-6, M2-1; D1, Underground Openings Inspection Checklist)

September 21, 2000

Seventeen changes made regarding general permit provisions, including:

- Remove procedures from Attachment P and replace with functionally equivalent summaries. Full procedures are kept on file at the facility. (Affected Module/Attachment: Attachment H, L, P)
- Correct typographical errors and delete 2 figures (Affected Module/Attachment: Attachment H)
- Update Figures to reflect current operations (Affected Module/Attachment: Attachment F, G)
- Increase training requirements and add new position (Affected Module/Attachment: Attachment H1)
- Revise Attachment B to reflect more accurate data reporting (Affected Module/Attachment: Attachment B1)
- Revise Attachment G to reflect use of strobe lights (Affected Module/Attachment: Attachment G)
- Revise the Land Disposal Restriction Notification requirements to reflect regulations recently adopted by the NMED (Affected Module/Attachment: Attachment B)
- Revise tables to reflect correct accuracy limits on laboratory control samples (Affected Module/Attachment: Attachment B3)
- Update Emergency Coordinator telephone numbers (Affected Module/Attachment: Attachment F)
- Revise text to reflect recent financial assurance changes (Affected Module/Attachment: Attachment I)
- Revise Figures to reflect current facility operations (Affected Module/Attachment: Attachment G, M1)
- Revise Attachment B to reflect corrected text which was incorrectly modified in a previous Class 1 submittal (Affected Module/Attachment: Attachment B)
- Revise text to reflect inconsistencies between Class 2 submittal and NMED Permit text (Affected Module/Attachment: Attachment B1)
- Revise Attachment N to indicate the use of updated sampling method (TO-14A)-(Affected



Module/Attachment: Attachment N)

- Update operator logs to reflect current operations. (Affected Module/Attachment: Attachment D1)
- Make changes to Module IV that were not made in the July 20, 2000 Class 1 modification submittal (Affected Module/Attachment: Module IV)
- Revise Figures to reflect the reactivation of the underground experimental area for non-waste activities (Affected Module/Attachment: Attachment F, I, M2)

November 1, 2000

Eleven changes made regarding general permit provisions, including:

- 1) Incorporation of the language of the Class 1 and approved Class 2 HWFP modifications; 2) Reconciliation of inconsistencies between the WAP requirements and corresponding checklist items; 3) Reorganization of the six B6 checklists into ten checklists categorized by audit function; 4) assignment of a unique identifier to each checklist element; 5) Deletion of redundant B6 checklist items; and 6) Corrections to B6 checklist references, grammar, and spelling (Affected Module/Attachment: Attachment B6)
- Allow an increase in the number of samples that can be composited from 5 to 20 (Affected Module/Attachment: Attachment B)
- Define requirements for headspace gas sampling through the filter vent hole (Affected Module/Attachment: Attachment B1)
- Incorporate requirements for establishing safety conditions for selecting containers that are visually examined as a quality control (QC) check on radiography (Affected Module/Attachment: Attachment B1)
- Correct Figures, removes one Figure that was inadvertently added in a previous modification and updates other figures to reflect the current underground facility (Affected Figures: Figures B4-1, B4-3, G-4, M1-7, M1-15, O3-1, and O3-2)
- Add updated operating logs inadvertently left out of a previous modification (Affected Module/Attachment: Attachment D1)
- Remove reference to "carbon composite" to clarify that the sampling method applies to other types of drum filters (Affected Module/Attachment: Attachment B1)
- Add some general radiography information (Affected Module/Attachment: Attachment B1)
- Correct text in Class 1 Modification submitted July 21, 2000 (Affected Module/Attachment: Attachment B3)
- Change "waste stream" to "summary category group" (Affected Module/Attachment: Attachment B)
- Update Attachment B5-2 to reflect current document revision protocols (Affected Module/Attachment: Attachment B5)

November 13, 2000

- Drum Age Criteria (Affected Module/Attachment: Attachment B1) (This modification was verbally disapproved by the NMED and was removed from the permit)

November 28, 2000

- Change the location of the Radiation Monitoring Equipment (Affected Module/Attachment: Attachment F)

- Remove inconsistencies in radiological survey apparatus. (Affected Module/Attachment: Attachment I3)
- Correct chemical formula (Affected Module/Attachment: Attachment N)
- Change organizational name (Affected Module/Attachment: Attachment L)
- Change Permit text and figures to more accurately reflect panel design (Affected Module/Attachment: Attachment M2)
- Update Emergency Coordinator List (Affected Module/Attachment: Attachment F)
- Revise MOU regarding emergency medical services (Affected Module/Attachment: Attachment F)
- Revision previously submitted modification (Affected Module/Attachment: Attachment B)
- Clarify determination of retention time (RT) windows and acceptance criteria for retention time for the "GC/FID" and "GC/ECD" continuing calibration. (Affected Table: Table B3-5, and Table B3-7)
- Modify Material Incident Report Form to reflect the correct responsible organization to maintain a current RCRA Contingency Plan (Affected Module/Attachment: Attachment F)

Questions about this notification should be directed to Mr. Jody Plum at (505) 234-7462, or by E-mail at plumj@wipp.carlsbad.nm.us. Complete copies of the permit modification notices submitted to the New Mexico Environment Department may be located on the world wide web by accessing the WIPP home page at <http://www.wipp.carlsbad.nm.us/wipp.htm>, selecting "Document Center", then "Hazardous Waste Disposal (RCRA) Permit Documents". Copies can also be reviewed at the WIPP Information Center: 4021 National Parks Highway, Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220, or requested from the WIPP Information Center by calling 1 (800) 336-9477.