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RE: NOTICE OF EXTENSION FOR CLASS 2 PERMIT MODIFICATION DECISION  
WASTE ISOLATION PILOT PLANT  
EPA I.D. NUMBER NM4890139088

Dear Dr. Triay and Mr. Herrera:

On December 7, 2000, the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) received a Request for a Class 2 Permit Modification to the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant Hazardous Waste Facility Permit from the Department of Energy’s Carlsbad Field Office and Westinghouse (Permittees) dated December 7, 2000. According to 20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §270.42(b)(6)), NMED must take specific action on the modification request no later than ninety (90) days after receipt of the request.

By this letter, I am notifying you as the Permittees that NMED will decide on this modification request within the next thirty (30) days, as allowed by 20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating §270.42(b)(6)(i)(E)).
If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at (505) 827-1758.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

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