Comments on Proposed Class 3 Modification
(Centralized Waste Confirmation Facility)
To the Hazardous Waste Facility Permit
For the U.S. Department of Energy's Waste Isolation Pilot Plant

I am not interested in subsidizing the DOE or the DOD by supporting the requested change of Class 3 modification. I look at the proposed change as an effort on the part of the DOE to disguise the inherent costs associated with the manufacture and disposal of nuclear weapons waste. The short cuts outlined in tonight's presentation represent an ill-conceived attempt to reduce the DOE's costs for the disposal of nuclear weapons waste. This does not benefit our nation nor New Mexico. Rather, if the costs associated with nuclear waste are realized by those who manufacture them (DOE/DOD) perhaps they will hesitate to produce such costly and hazardous products — products designed to kill the "enemy" but which may, unfortunately, kill those very people they are designed to protect.