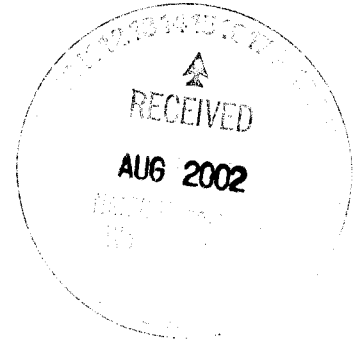


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Subject: The Waste Isolation Pilot Plant's Quarterly Progress Report for Solid Waste Management Unit Activities

Dear Mr. Zappe:

The purpose of this letter is to submit the subject report, as required by Module VII.I.1 of the Hazardous Waste Facility Permit No. NM4890139088—TSDf. This report addresses activities from May 1, 2002 to July 31, 2002.

I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision according to a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fines and imprisonment for knowing violations.

If you have any questions regarding this transmittal, please contact Mr. Jody Plum at (505) 234-7462.

Sincerely,

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Waste Isolation Pilot Plant
August 2002 Quarterly Progress Report
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List of Acronyms

DOE	Department of Energy
HWFP	Hazardous Waste Facility Permit
NFA	No Further Action
NMED	New Mexico Environment Department
SWMU	Solid Waste Management Unit
TSDf	Treatment Storage and Disposal Facility
WIPP	Waste Isolation Pilot Plant
WTS	Westinghouse TRU Solutions LLC

1. Introduction

Module VII.I of the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (**WIPP**) Hazardous Waste Facility Permit (**HWFP**), number NM890139088-TSDF, requires the U.S. Department of Energy (**DOE**) and Westinghouse TRU Solutions LLC (**WTS**), hereafter known as the Permittees, to submit quarterly progress reports within ninety (90) days of beginning Solid Waste Management Unit (**SWMU**) activities, and succeeding reports due every 90 days. This report summarizes SWMU activities for May through July, 2002.

This report contains the following items, as required by the Permit:

- Description of the work completed;
- Estimate of the percentage of work completed;
- Summaries of all findings;
- Summaries of all problems or potential problems encountered and corrective actions implemented;
- Projected work for the next reporting period;
- Summaries of contacts pertaining to corrective action or environmental matters;
- Changes in key personnel;
- Changes in funding which may impact the completion date; and
- Summaries of all implementation changes.

2. Description of the Work Completed

A draft No Further Action (**NFA**) Report and compilation of associated data for the SWMUs was completed this quarter.

3. Estimate of the Percentage of Work Completed

The draft NFA Report is 100 percent complete.

4. Summaries of All Findings

No new findings were made during this quarter. There are no outstanding comments from prior reports.

5. Problems and Corrective Actions

No difficulty was experienced during this quarter. No potential problems were noted.

6. Projected Work for the Next Reporting Period

During the next reporting period the NFA Report and associated data will be finalized. A Petition for NFA at the SWMUs and the finalized report are scheduled for submittal to the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) in September 2002.

7. Summaries of Contacts

During the reporting period, no contact regarding SWMU corrective actions or environmental matters was made with representatives of public interest groups.

During this reporting period one letter from NMED was received. The letter described the split sampling done in August 2001, and transmitted the analytical data from the state (NMED, 2002). No other written, or personal contacts concerning SWMU Corrective Actions or the NFA Report were made with NMED during this reporting period.

8. Changes in Key Personnel

There were no changes in personnel during this quarter.

9. Changes in Funding

There were no changes in funding since the last report.

10. Changes in Implementation

No changes to implementation of the *WIPP Facility Work Plan for Solid Waste Management Units and Areas of Concern* (DOE, 2001) were made during this reporting period.

11. References

DOE, 2001. *WIPP Facility Work Plan for Solid Waste Management Units and Areas of Concern*. DOE/WIPP-00-2001, Rev. 1.

NMED, 2002. *NMED Spit Soil Sample Results from Solid Waste Management Units at WIPP*. Letter from Steve Zappe (NMED) to Inés Triay (CBFO) and John Lee (WTS) dated June 17, 2002.