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Secretary Patricia T. Montoya
NM Department of Health
1190 S. St. Francis Drive
Santa Fe, NM 87204

RE: REQUEST TO RESERVE RUNNELS AUDITORIUM FOR PUBLIC HEARING ON WASTE ISOLATION PILOT PLANT PERMIT MODIFICATION

Dear Secretary Montoya:

The New Mexico Environment Department's Hazardous Waste Bureau would like to reserve the Runnels Auditorium during the week of April 6 – 9, 2004 for a public hearing on a proposed permit modification to the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant's Hazardous Waste Facility Permit. The hearing would be held from 9:00 AM until 5:00 PM throughout the week, and may also include several evening sessions from 6:00 PM until 9:00 PM. NMED expects approximately 50 citizens might attend the evening sessions, and would contract with AKAL to provide sufficient after-hours security.

Please inform me of the availability of the facility at your earliest convenience. I can be reached at 428-2517 or by e-mail at steve_zappe@nmenv.state.nm.us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steve Zappe".

Steve Zappe
NMED WIPP Project Leader
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