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VIA E-Mail and Overnight Mail



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RE: WIPP Permittees' Draft Class 2 Permit Modification Request (PMR)

Dear Ms. Arends:

This letter is in response to your inquiry concerning a pre-submittal public meeting for the draft Class 2 PMR titled "Procedure for Consideration of Tank Waste." As you are aware, a draft of the PMR has been circulated to those persons and entities that either entered an appearance or submitted a notice of intent for the permit modification proposed by NMED. Based on the Hearing Officer's Order, dated June 3, 2004, the Permittees' are required to submit the Class 2 PMR within 30 days from the date of the Order. Due to the short time-frame for submitting the proposed PMR, the Permittees will not be holding a pre-submittal public meeting. However, if you have specific comments on the draft PMR, please feel free to submit such comments in writing for the Permittees' consideration. If you are aware of other persons or entities with questions either about a pre-submittal public meeting or who would like to share pre-submittal comments, please provide this information to them. The Permittees expect to file the proposed PMR on July 2, 2004. Thus, any comments should be submitted by close of business on Thursday, July 1, 2004. Also, please note that although a pre-submittal meeting will not take place, the Permittees, as required by NMED regulations, will hold a public meeting after the PMR is submitted. The proposed dates for those meetings are August 3, 2004 in Carlsbad and August 5, 2004 in Santa Fe. These dates are not yet certain.

Sincerely,

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