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Subject: Notification of the Freeboard Levels in the Sewage Lagoons and the H-19 Evaporation Pond and Construction Progress Report for Storm Water Infiltration Control Pond A

Dear Mr. Marshall:

The purpose of this letter is to provide you the requested information as noted in your letter dated December 28, 2004, approving the corrective actions proposed by WIPP for the restoration of freeboard in the sewage lagoon system and the H-19 evaporation pond. Your December 28, 2004 letter requires us to notify you of the freeboard levels in each pond by the last day of each month. As requested, the freeboard levels for April 2005 are listed below.

Location	Remaining Freeboard on April 15, 2005
Settling Pond 1A	30 inches
Polishing Pond 1B	26 inches
Settling Pond 2A	29 inches
Settling Pond 2B	29 inches
Evaporation Pond A	14 inches
Evaporation Pond B	23 inches
Evaporation Pond C	23 inches
H-19 Evaporation Pond	30 inches

As discussed with you and documented in a letter dated March 4, 2005 the status of the activities for the construction of Storm Water Infiltration Control (SWIC) Pond A is as follows:

- An additional 0.38 inches of rain fell April 17, 2005 impacting efforts to install the liner.
- Earthwork has not been resumed pending scheduling of the liner contractor.



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- Efforts are being taken to schedule the contractor to install the lienr at their first availability when Pond A dries out.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Mr. H. L. Plum at (505) 234-7462.

Sincerely,


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