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September 4, 2008

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RE: NMED REVIEW OF WIPP EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES INFORMATION
WASTE ISOLATION PILOT PLANT
EPA I.D. NUMBER NM4890139088

Dear Dr. Moody and Mr. Sharif,

On March 6, 2008, the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) sent a Request for Information to the U.S. Department of Energy Carlsbad Field Office and Washington TRU Solutions LLC (collectively, the Permittees) regarding the January 22, 2008 deauthorization of intermediate level Emergency Medical Technician (EMT-I) personnel at the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) to operate at an intermediate level. On April 11, 2008, the Permittees transmitted information in response to NMED's request, and on August 1, 2008, the Permittees provided a status update of the WIPP Emergency Medical Services program, documenting that the program was again capable of providing services at the EMT-I level. Based upon review of the information provided, NMED has identified no violations of the New Mexico Hazardous Waste Management Regulations (20.4.1 NMAC) or of the WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit (Permit).

No further action is required at this time. However, this letter does not relieve the Permittees of their obligation to comply with the Permit or any other applicable laws and regulations. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Steve Zappe of my staff at (505) 476-6051.

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Sincerely,



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