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Mr. James P. Bearzi, Chief
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Subject: Transmittal of Annual Waste Minimization Certification

Dear Mr. Bearzi:

This letter provides the submittal of the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant's Annual Waste Minimization Certification. The certification is required by the WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Condition VII.B.1. This certification has been prepared in accordance with 20 NMAC 4.1.900 [incorporating 40 CFR 270.11(d)].

If you have any questions regarding this certification transmittal, please contact Ms. Susan McCauslin at (575) 234-7349.

Sincerely,

David C. Moody, Manager
 Carlsbad Field Office

M. F. Sharif, General Manager
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Enclosure

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ANNUAL WASTE MINIMIZATION CERTIFICATION

The purpose of this statement is to certify that a program is in place at the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) to minimize the volume and toxicity of hazardous waste that is generated. This certification addresses the period from October 1, 2007 through September 30, 2008. After thorough evaluation of the documentation for this reporting period, the WIPP Waste Minimization Program Description has been updated and entered into the operating record.

Waste minimization is achieved at the WIPP to the degree determined to be economically practicable. Methods of treatment, storage, or disposal are the most practicable methods currently available to the WIPP which minimize the present and future threat to human health and the environment.

The Hazardous Waste Facility Permit (HWFP) requires this certification for hazardous waste generated as a result of corrective action(s) for solid waste management units, environmental monitoring activities, and for waste derived from the management of TRU-mixed waste.

This statement complies with HWFP Condition VII.B.1, and 20.4.1.500 NMAC [incorporating 40 CFR §264.73(b)(9)]. This certification statement was prepared in accordance with 20.4.1.900 NMAC [incorporating 40 CFR §270.11(d)]. The WIPP Waste Minimization Program Description and this certification statement is maintained in the operating record as required by HWFP Condition I.E.10.b and 20.4.1.500 NMAC [incorporating 40 CFR §264.73(b)(9)].

We certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under our direction or supervision according to a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather information and evaluate the information submitted. Based on our 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 our knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. We are aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations.



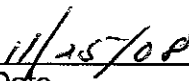
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