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June 17, 2010

By email to: steve.zappe@state.nm.us

Mr. Steve Zappe
New Mexico Environment Department
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Re: Public Comments about Permit Modification Request for Revision of Volatile Organic Compound Concentrations of Concern at the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant

Dear Mr. Zappe:

Concerned Citizens for Nuclear Safety makes the following comments about the Class 2 permit modification request for the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant:

1. We support the June 18, 2010 comments of the Southwest Research and Information Center; and
2. The Permittees submitted the permit modification as a Class 2 request. 40 CFR 270.42(b). We believe that the complexity of the request regarding reapportionment of risk is not appropriate as a class 2 modification, and at least that part of the request requires the New Mexico Environment Department to classify it as a Class 3 request or to deny the requested reapportionment of risk.

Thank you for your consideration of our comments.

Sincerely,

Joni Arends
Executive Director

