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Subject: 2010 Waste Isolation Pilot Plant Biennial Environmental Compliance Report

Dear Mr. Bearzi:

Enclosed are four paper copies and one compact disc of the 2010 Waste Isolation Pilot Plant Biennial Environmental Compliance Report (BECR). As required by Section 9(a)(2) of the WIPP Land Withdrawal Act, the United States Department of Energy (DOE) must submit documentation of continued compliance with applicable laws pertaining to public health and the environment to the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and with regard to compliance with the Solid Waste Disposal Act (42 U. S. C. 6901 et seq.) to the State of New Mexico every two years. The enclosed report addresses compliance with applicable laws during the two year period beginning April 1, 2008, and ending March 31, 2010. You are receiving this copy on behalf of the State of New Mexico.

A copy of the BECR has also been sent to the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission, the United States Department of Transportation, the United States Department of Interior Bureau of Land Management and Fish and Wildlife Service, and DOE Headquarters Office of NEPA (National Environmental Policy Act) Policy and Assistance for their review and comment with respect to laws they enforce.

Please contact Susan E. McCauslin at (575) 234-7349 if you need any additional information.

Sincerely,

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