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July 1, 2011

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**RE: RESUMPTION OF SHIPMENTS FROM IDAHO NATIONAL LABORATORY
WIPP HAZARDOUS WASTE FACILITY PERMIT
EPA I.D. NUMBER NM4890139088**

Dear Messrs. Ziemianski and Sharif:

On June 29, 2011, The New Mexico Environment Department (**NMED**) transmitted a letter to the Department of Energy's Carlsbad Field Office (**CBFO**) and Washington TRU Solutions (**WTS**) (collectively, **the Permittees**) ordering them to suspend all shipments of waste from Idaho National Laboratories (**INL**) effective immediately. NMED took this action because of CBFO's issuance of Corrective Action Report (**CAR**) 11-043, which cited a violation of the WIPP Permit, Section C4-3c, which states in part, "Acceptable Knowledge information shall be compiled in an auditable record, including a road map for all applicable information."

Furthermore, WIPP Permit Section C4-3g states, "If acceptable knowledge procedures do not exist, the required information is not available, or corrective actions (i.e., CARs) are identified associated with acceptable knowledge compilation, and/or hazardous waste characterization, the Permittees will not manage, store, or dispose TRU mixed waste for

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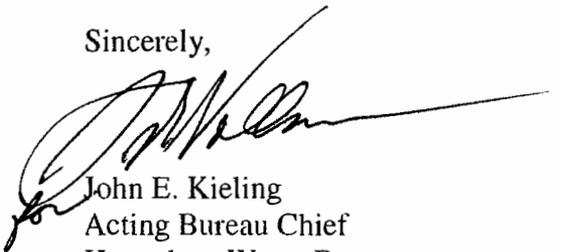
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the subject waste summary category. Management, storage, or disposal of the subject waste summary category at WIPP will not resume until DOE find that all corrective actions have been implemented and the site complies with all applicable requirements of the WAP.”

On July 1, 2011, NMED received a letter from CBFO stating that CAR 11-043 has been evaluated, the appropriate corrective actions have been implemented, and the CAR has been closed. The letter further stated that the Permittees are lifting the suspension effective immediately. NMED concurs with the Permittees’ action to lift the suspension of shipments of waste from INL/CCP to WIPP.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Art Vollmer at (505) 476-6004 or Tim Hall at (505) 476-6049.

Sincerely,



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