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RE: WITHDRAWAL OF LETTER DATED FEBRUARY 29, 2012
WASTE ISOLATION PILOT PLANT
EPA I.D. NUMBER NM4890139088

Dear Messrs. Franco and Sharif:

On February 29, 2012, the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) issued a reminder letter regarding notification timelines for audits. At the time the letter was sent, management was not aware that a staff member had requested the audit be moved to a week earlier. In fact, the same staff member notified management that the notification was late. Management only became aware of the circumstances leading to the tardy submission when making a courtesy call about the letter but unfortunately the letter was already mailed. Because it was an accommodation of NMED’s request to move the audit date, the late notification is not a violation of the permit and the February 29, 2012 letter is withdrawn.

NMED appreciates the Permittees willingness to accommodate NMED staff schedules and has no intent to cause complications that may result from this kind of accommodation.
If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Trais Kilphuis at (505) 476-6051.

Sincerely,

John Kieling
Acting Chief
Hazardous Waste Bureau

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