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## **PART 1 - GENERAL PERMIT CONDITIONS**

### 1.1. **AUTHORITY**

This Permit is issued pursuant to the authority of the Secretary of the New Mexico Environment Department (**Secretary**) under the New Mexico Hazardous Waste Act (**HWA**), NMSA 1978, §§74-4-1 through 74-4-14, in accordance with the New Mexico Hazardous Waste Management Regulations (**HWMR**), 20.4.1 NMAC.

Pursuant to the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (**RCRA**), 42 U.S.C. §§6901 to 6992k, and 40 CFR Part 271 and Part 272 Subpart GG, the State of New Mexico, through the Secretary, is authorized to administer and enforce the state hazardous waste management program under the HWA in lieu of the federal program.

This Permit contains terms and conditions that the Secretary has determined are necessary to protect human health and the environment, pursuant to 20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §270.32(b)(2)).

Any violation of a condition in this Permit may subject the Permittees or their officers, employees, successors, and assigns to:

- 1) A compliance order under §74-4-10 of the HWA or §3008(a) of RCRA (42 U.S.C. §6928(a));
- 2) An injunction under §74-4-10 of the HWA or §3008(a) of RCRA (42 U.S.C. §6928(a)), or §7002(a) of RCRA (42 U.S.C. §6972(a));
- 3) Civil penalties under §§74-4-10 and 74-4-10.1 of the HWA or §§3008(a) and (g) of RCRA (42 U.S.C. §§6928(a) and (g)), or §7002(a) of RCRA (42 U.S.C. §6972(a));
- 4) Criminal penalties under §74-4-11 of the HWA or §§3008(d), (e), and (f) of RCRA (42 U.S.C. §§6928(d), (e), and (f)); or
- 5) Some combination of the foregoing.

The list of authorities in this paragraph is not exhaustive and the Secretary reserves the right to take any action authorized by law to enforce the requirements of this Permit.

### 1.2. **EFFECT OF PERMIT**

The Secretary issues this Permit to the United States Department of Energy (**DOE**), the owner and co-operator of the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (**WIPP**) (EPA I.D. Number NM4890139088), and Nuclear Waste Partnership LLC, Management and Operating Contractor (**MOC**), the co-operator of WIPP. This Permit authorizes DOE and MOC (**the Permittees**) to manage, store, and dispose contact-handled (**CH**) and remote-handled (**RH**) transuranic (**TRU**) mixed waste at WIPP, and establishes the general and specific standards for these activities, pursuant to the HWA and HWMR.



As to those activities specifically authorized or otherwise specifically addressed under this Permit, compliance with this Permit during its term shall constitute compliance, for purposes of enforcement, with Subtitle C of RCRA and the HWA, and the implementing regulations at 40 CFR Parts 264, 266, and 268 except for those requirements that become effective by statute after the Permit has been issued [20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §270.4)]

Compliance with this Permit shall not constitute a defense to any order issued or any action brought under Sections 74-4-10.E or 74-4-13 of the HWA; Sections 3008(a), 3008(h), 3013, or 7003 of RCRA; the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (42 U.S.C. §9601 *et seq.*, commonly known as CERCLA) Sections 106(a), 104, or 107; or any other federal, state, or local law providing for protection of public health or the environment. This Permit does not convey any property rights of any sort or any exclusive privilege, nor authorize any injury to persons or property, any invasion of other private rights, or any infringement of State or local laws or regulations. [20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §§270.4, 270.30(g), and 270.32(b)(1))]

### 1.3. PERMIT ACTIONS

#### 1.3.1. Permit Modification, Suspension, and Revocation

This Permit may be modified, suspended, and/or revoked for cause as specified in Section 74-4-4.2 of the HWA and 20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §§270.41, 270.42, and 270.43). The filing of a request by the Permittees for a permit modification, suspension, or revocation, or the notification of planned changes or anticipated noncompliance, shall not stay any permit condition. [20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §270.30(f))]

#### 1.3.2. Permit Renewal

The Permittees may renew this Permit by submitting an application for a new Permit at least 180 calendar days before the expiration date of this Permit. In reviewing any application for a Permit renewal, the Secretary shall consider improvements in the state of control and measurement technology and changes in applicable regulations. [20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §§270.10(h) and 270.30(b))]

#### 1.3.3. Permit Review

The Secretary shall review this Permit no later than five (5) years after the effective date of this Permit, and shall modify this Permit as necessary pursuant to Section 74-4-4.2 of the HWA and 20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §270.41). Such modification(s) shall not extend the effective term of this Permit specified in Permit Section 1.7.2. [20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §§270.41 and 270.50(b) and (d))]

### 1.4. SEVERABILITY

The provisions of this Permit are severable, and if any provision of this Permit, or the application of any provision of this Permit to any circumstance is held invalid, the application of such provision to

other circumstances and the remainder of this Permit shall not be affected thereby. [40 CFR §124.16(a)(1) and (2)]

## 1.5. DEFINITIONS

Unless otherwise expressly provided herein, the terms used in this Permit shall have the meaning set forth in RCRA, HWA, and/or their implementing regulations.

### 1.5.1. Contact-handled Transuranic Mixed Waste

“Contact-handled transuranic mixed waste” means transuranic mixed waste with a surface dose rate not greater than 200 millirem per hour. [Pub. L. 102-579 (1992)]

### 1.5.2. Remote-handled Transuranic Mixed Waste

“Remote-handled transuranic mixed waste” means transuranic mixed waste with a surface dose rate of 200 millirem per hour or greater. For WIPP, the surface dose rate shall not exceed 1,000 rems per hour. [Pub. L. 102-579 (1992)]

### 1.5.3. Facility

“Facility” or “permitted facility” means the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (**WIPP**) owned by the DOE and located approximately twenty six (26) miles east of Carlsbad, New Mexico, EPA I.D. Number NM4890139088. The WIPP facility comprises the entire complex within the WIPP Site Boundary as specified in the WIPP Land Withdrawal Act of 1992, Pub. L. 102-579 (1992), including all contiguous land, and structures, other appurtenances, and improvements on the Permittees' land, used for management, storage, or disposal of TRU mixed waste.

### 1.5.4. Permittees

“Permittees” means the United States Department of Energy (**DOE**), an agency of the Federal government, and the owner and co-operator of the WIPP facility; and Nuclear Waste Partnership LLC, Management and Operating Contractor (**MOC**), the co-operator of the WIPP facility. References to actions taken by “the Permittees” indicate actions that may be taken by either co-Permittee.

### 1.5.5. Secretary

“Secretary” means the Secretary of the New Mexico Environment Department (**NMED**), or designee.

### 1.5.6. TRU Waste

“TRU Waste” means waste containing more than 100 nanocuries of alpha-emitting transuranic isotopes per gram of waste, with half-lives greater than 20 years, except for (A) high-level radioactive waste; (B) waste that the DOE Secretary has determined, with the

concurrence of the EPA Administrator, does not need the degree of isolation required by the disposal regulations; or (C) waste that the Nuclear Regulatory Commission has approved for disposal on a case-by-case basis in accordance with part 61 of title 10, Code of Federal Regulations. [Pub. L. 102-579 (1992)]

#### 1.5.7. TRU Mixed Waste

“TRU Mixed Waste” means TRU waste that is also a hazardous waste as defined by the HWA and 20.4.1.200 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §261.3).

#### 1.5.8. Contact Handled Packages

“Contact Handled Packages” means TRUPACT-II, HalfPACT, and TRUPACT-III shipping containers and their contents.

#### 1.5.9. Remote-Handled Packages

“Remote-Handled Packages” means both CNS 10-160B and RH-TRU 72-B shipping containers and their contents.

#### 1.5.10. Containment Pallet

“Containment pallet” means a device capable of holding a minimum of one 55-gallon drum, or 85-gallon drum, or 100-gallon drum or a standard waste box, or a ten-drum overpack and that has internal containment for up to ten percent of the volume of the containers on the containment pallet.

#### 1.5.11. Waste Characterization

“Waste characterization” or “characterization” means the activities performed by or on behalf of the waste generator/storage sites (**sites**) to obtain information used by the Permittees to satisfy the general waste analysis requirements of 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.13(a)). Characterization occurs before waste containers have been certified for disposal at WIPP.

#### 1.5.12. Waste Confirmation

“Waste confirmation” or “confirmation” means the activities performed by the Permittees or the co-Permittee DOE, pursuant to Permit Attachment C7 (TRU Waste Confirmation), to satisfy the requirements specified in Section 310 of Pub. L. 108-447. Confirmation occurs after waste containers have been certified for disposal at WIPP.

#### 1.5.13. Substantial Barrier

“Substantial barrier” means salt or other non-combustible material installed between the waste face and the bulkhead to protect the waste from events such as ground movement or

vehicle impacts. The substantial barrier incorporates the chain link and brattice cloth room closure specified in Permit Attachment A2.

#### 1.5.14. Bulkhead

“Bulkhead” means a steel structure, with flexible flashing, that is used to block ventilation as specified in Permit Attachment A2 (Geologic Repository).

#### 1.5.15. Explosion-Isolation Wall

“Explosion-isolation wall” means the 12-foot wall intended as an explosion isolation device that is part of the approved panel-closure system specified in Permit Attachment G1 (Detailed Design Report for an Operation Phase Panel Closure System).

#### 1.5.16. Filled Panel

“Filled panel” means an Underground Hazardous Waste Disposal Unit specified in Permit Part 4 that will no longer receive waste for emplacement.

#### 1.5.17. Internal Container

“Internal container” means a container inside the outermost container examined during radiography or visual examination (VE). Drum liners, liner bags, plastic bags used for contamination control, capillary-type labware, and debris not designed to hold liquid at the time of original waste packaging are not internal containers.

#### 1.5.18. Observable Liquid

“Observable liquid” means liquid that is observable using radiography or VE as specified in Permit Attachment C (Waste Analysis Plan).

#### 1.5.19. Filled Room

“Filled Room” means a room in an Underground Hazardous Waste Disposal Unit as specified in Permit Part 4 that will no longer receive waste for emplacement.

#### 1.5.20. Active Room

“Active Room” means a room in an Underground Hazardous Waste Disposal Unit as specified in Permit Part 4 that contains emplaced TRU waste and is not a filled room.

## 1.6. EFFECT OF INACCURACIES IN PERMIT APPLICATION

This Permit is based on the assumption that all information contained in the permit application and the administrative record is accurate and that the Facility will be constructed and operated as specified in the application. The permit application consists of information submitted in September 2009 and supplementary technical documents.

Any inaccuracies found in the submitted information may be grounds for the termination or modification of this Permit in accordance with 20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §270.41, §270.42, and §270.43) and for potential enforcement action.

## 1.7. DUTIES AND REQUIREMENTS

### 1.7.1. Duty to Comply

The Permittees shall comply with all conditions of this Permit, except to the extent and for the duration such noncompliance is authorized in an emergency permit specified in 20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §270.61). Any Permit noncompliance, except under the terms of an emergency permit, constitutes a violation of RCRA and/or HWA and is grounds for enforcement action; for Permit modification, suspension, or revocation; or for denial of a Permit modification or renewal application. [20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §270.30(a))]

### 1.7.2. Permit Term

This Permit shall be effective for a fixed term not to exceed ten years from the effective date. The effective date of this Permit shall be 30 days after notice of the Secretary's decision has been served on the Permittees or such later time as the Secretary may specify. [20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §270.50(a))]

### 1.7.3. Duty to Reapply

If the Permittees wish to continue an activity regulated by this Permit after the expiration date of this Permit, the Permittees shall apply for and obtain a new Permit. The Permittees shall submit an application for a new Permit at least 180 calendar days before the expiration date of this Permit. [20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §§270.10(h), 270.30(b))]

### 1.7.4. Continuation of Expiring Permits

If the Permittees have submitted a timely and complete application for renewal of this Permit as specified in 20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §§270.10, 270.13 through 270.29), this Permit shall remain in effect until the effective date of the new Permit if, through no fault of the Permittees, the Secretary has not issued a new Permit on or before the expiration date of this Permit. [20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §270.51)]

1.7.5. Need to Halt or Reduce Activity Not a Defense

It shall not be a defense for the Permittees in an enforcement action that it would have been necessary to halt or reduce the permitted activity in order to maintain compliance with the conditions of this Permit. [20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §270.30(c))]

1.7.6. Duty to Mitigate

In the event of noncompliance with this Permit, the Permittees shall take all reasonable steps to minimize releases to the environment, and shall carry out such measures as are reasonable to prevent significant adverse impacts on human health or the environment. [20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §270.30(d))]

1.7.7. Proper Operation and Maintenance

The Permittees shall at all times properly operate and maintain all facilities and systems of treatment and control (and related appurtenances) which are installed or used by the Permittees to achieve compliance with the conditions of this Permit. Proper operation and maintenance shall include effective performance, adequate funding, adequate operator staffing and training, and adequate laboratory and process controls, including appropriate quality assurance/quality control procedures. This provision requires the operation of back-up or auxiliary facilities or similar systems only when necessary to achieve compliance with the conditions of this Permit. [20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §270.30(e))]

1.7.8. Duty to Provide Information

The Permittees shall furnish to the Secretary, within a reasonable time frame as specified by the Secretary, any relevant information which the Secretary may request to determine whether cause exists for modifying, suspending, or revoking this Permit, or to determine compliance with this Permit. The Permittees shall also furnish to the Secretary, upon request, copies of records required to be kept by this Permit. Information and records requested by the Secretary pursuant to this condition shall be provided in a paper or an electronic format acceptable to the Secretary. [20.4.1.500 and .900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §§264.74(a) and 270.30(h))]

1.7.9. Inspection and Entry

The Permittees shall allow the Secretary, or authorized representatives, upon the presentation of credentials and other documents as may be required by law and at reasonable times, the following inspection and entry privileges specified in 20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §270.30(i)):

1.7.9.1. Entrance to Premises

To enter upon the Permittees' premises where a regulated facility or activity is located or conducted, or where records must be kept under the conditions of this Permit;

1.7.9.2. Access to Records

To have access to and copy any records that must be kept under the conditions of this Permit;

1.7.9.3. Inspection

To have access to, inspect, and obtain photographs of any facilities, equipment (including monitoring and control equipment), practices, or operations regulated or required under this Permit; and

1.7.9.4. Sampling

To sample or monitor, for the purposes of assuring Permit compliance or as otherwise authorized by RCRA and/or HWA, any substances or parameters at any location. If the Secretary obtains any sample, prior to leaving the premises the Secretary shall give the Permittees a receipt describing the sample obtained and, if requested, a portion of each sample of equal weight or volume to the portion retained. If any analysis is made of the sample, the Secretary shall promptly furnish a copy of the results of the analysis to the Permittees.

Permit Section 1.7.9 shall not be construed to limit, in any manner, the Secretary's authority under Section 74-4-4.3 of the HWA.

1.7.10. Monitoring and Records

1.7.10.1. Representative Sampling

For the purposes of monitoring, the Permittees shall take samples and measurements representative of the monitored activity. [20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §270.30(j)(1))]

1.7.10.2. Record Retention

Beginning with the effective date of this Permit, the Permittees shall retain records of all monitoring information, including all calibration and maintenance records and all original strip chart recordings for continuous monitoring instrumentation, and copies of all reports and records required by this Permit until closure. If original strip chart recordings are more than three years old, copies are acceptable. The Permittees shall retain the waste minimization certification required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.73(b)(9)), and records of all data used to complete the application for this Permit for a period of at least 3 years from the date of certification or application. The Secretary may extend these periods at any time, and these periods shall be automatically extended during the course of any unresolved enforcement action

regarding this facility. The Permittees shall maintain records from all ground-water monitoring wells and associated ground-water surface elevations, during the active life of the facility and the post-closure period. [20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.74(b)), 20.4.1.501 NMAC, and 20.4.1.900 (incorporating §270.30(j)(2))]

1.7.10.3. Monitoring Records Contents

As specified by 20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §270.30(j)(3)), records of monitoring information shall include:

- i. The dates, exact place, and times of sampling or measurements;
- ii. The names of individuals who performed the sampling or measurements;
- iii. The dates analyses were performed;
- iv. The names of individuals who performed the analyses;
- v. The names of analytical techniques or methods used; and
- vi. The results of such analyses.

1.7.11. Reporting Requirements

1.7.11.1. Reporting Planned Changes

The Permittees shall give notice to the Secretary, as soon as possible, of any planned physical alterations or additions to the permitted facility. The Permittees shall post a link to the planned change notice transmittal letter on the WIPP Home Page and inform those on the e-mail notification list as specified in Permit Section 1.11. [20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §270.30(1)(1))]

1.7.11.2. Reporting Anticipated Noncompliance

The Permittees shall give advance notice to the Secretary of any planned changes in the permitted facility or activity which may result in noncompliance with permit requirements. The Permittees shall post a link to the planned change notice transmittal letter on the WIPP Home Page and inform those on the e-mail notification list as specified in Permit Section 1.11. The Permittees shall not store or dispose TRU mixed waste in any modified portion of the facility (except as provided in 20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §270.42)) until the following conditions specified in 20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §270.30(1)(2)) are satisfied:



- i. The Permittees have submitted to the Secretary, by certified mail or hand delivery, a letter signed by the Permittees and a New Mexico registered professional engineer stating that the facility has been constructed or modified in compliance with this Permit, and:
- ii. The Secretary has either inspected the modified portion of the facility and finds it is in compliance with the conditions of this Permit; or waived the inspection or, within 15 calendar days of the date of submission of the letter required above, has not notified the Permittees of his intent to inspect.

#### 1.7.12. Transfer of Permits

The Permittees shall not transfer this Permit to any person, unless the Secretary has approved a permit modification request for such transfer in writing. The Secretary shall require modification or revocation and reissuance of this Permit as specified by 20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §§270.40 and 270.41(b)(2)) to identify the new Permittees and incorporate other applicable requirements under the HWA, RCRA, and their implementing regulations. The prospective new Permittee shall file a disclosure statement with the Secretary, if applicable and as specified at §74-4-4.7 of the HWA, prior to modification or revocation and re-issuance of the Permit.

Before transferring ownership or operation of the facility during its active life or post-closure care period, the Permittees shall notify the new owner or operator in writing as required by 20.4.1.500 and .900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §§264.12(c) and 270.30(1)(3)).

#### 1.7.13. 24 Hour and Subsequent Reporting

##### 1.7.13.1. Oral Report

As required by 20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §270.30(1)(6)(i)), within 24 hours from the time the Permittees become aware of the circumstances, the Permittees shall report orally to the Secretary any noncompliance which may endanger human health or the environment, including:

- i. Information concerning release of any TRU mixed or hazardous waste that may cause an endangerment to public drinking water supplies; and
- ii. Any information of a release or discharge of TRU mixed or hazardous waste, or of a fire or explosion from the facility, which could threaten the environment or human health outside the facility.

The oral report shall be made by calling the Hazardous Waste Bureau's main telephone number during regular business hours, or by calling the New Mexico Department of Public Safety dispatch telephone number during non-business hours, and requesting that the report be forwarded to the NMED spill number.

1.7.13.2. Description of Occurrence

The description of the occurrence and its cause shall include:

- i. Name, address, and telephone number of the Permittees;
- ii. Name, address, and telephone number of the facility;
- iii. Date, time, and type of incident;
- iv. Name and quantity of materials involved;
- v. The extent of injuries, if any;
- vi. An assessment of actual or potential hazards to the environment and human health outside the facility, where this is applicable; and
- vii. Estimated quantity and disposition of recovered material that resulted from the incident. [20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §270.30(1)(6)(ii))]

1.7.13.3. Written Notice

As required by 20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §270.30(1)(6)(iii)), the Permittees shall submit a written notice within five calendar days of the time the Permittees become aware of the circumstances. The written notice shall contain the information required in Permit Section 1.7.13.2 and the following information:

- i. A description of the noncompliance and its cause;
- ii. The period(s) of the noncompliance including exact dates and times and, if the noncompliance has not been corrected, the anticipated time it is expected to continue; and
- iii. Steps taken or planned to reduce, eliminate, and prevent recurrence of the noncompliance.

The Secretary may waive the five-day written notice requirement in favor of a written report within 15 calendar days if justifiable cause is provided in advance. The Permittees shall post a link to the written notice or report

transmittal letter on the WIPP Home Page and inform those on the e-mail notification list as specified in Permit Section 1.11.

1.7.13.4. Contingency Plan Implementation

If the Contingency Plan is implemented, the Permittees shall comply with the reporting requirements specified in Permit Attachment D (RCRA Contingency Plan). [20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.56(j))]

1.7.14. Other Noncompliance

The Permittees shall report to the Secretary all other instances of noncompliance not otherwise required to be reported above, in Permit Sections 1.7.10 through 1.7.13, at the time monitoring reports are submitted annually in October. The reports shall contain the information specified in Permit Section 1.7.13 and 20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §270.30(1)(10)).

1.7.15. Other Information

Whenever the Permittees become aware that they failed to submit any relevant facts in the Permit application, or submitted incorrect information in the Permit application or in any report to the Secretary, the Permittees shall promptly submit such facts or information in writing to the Secretary. The Permittees shall post a link to the transmittal letter on the WIPP Home Page and inform those on the e-mail notification list as specified in Permit Section 1.11. [20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §270.30(1)(11))]

1.8. ADMISSIBILITY OF DATA

The Permittees waive any objection to the admissibility as evidence of any data required by this Permit in any administrative or judicial action to enforce a condition of this Permit.

1.9. SIGNATORY REQUIREMENT

The Permittees shall sign and certify, as specified in 20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §270.11) all applications, reports required by this Permit, or information submitted to or requested by the Secretary. [20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §270.30(k))]

1.10. SUBMITTAL OF REPORTS, NOTIFICATIONS, AND INFORMATION TO THE SECRETARY

1.10.1. Information Submittal

The Permittees shall submit, by certified mail or hand delivery or by electronic transmittal with a subsequent hard copy, all reports, notifications, or other submissions which are submitted to or requested by the Secretary or required by this Permit, to:

Chief, Hazardous Waste Bureau  
New Mexico Environment Department  
2905 Rodeo Park Drive East, Building 1  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Telephone Number: (505) 476-6000  
Facsimile Number: (505) 476-6060

#### 1.10.2. Approval of Submittals

All documents prepared by the Permittees under the terms of this Permit and submitted to the Secretary that are subject to the provisions of 20.4.2 NMAC shall be subject to the procedures set forth therein. Documents requiring the Secretary's approval that are not subject to the provisions of 20.4.2 NMAC may be reviewed and approved, approved with modifications or directions, disapproved, denied, or rejected by the Secretary.

Submittals and associated schedules, upon the Secretary's written approval, shall become enforceable as part of this Permit in accordance with the terms of the Secretary's written approval, and such documents, as approved, shall control over any contrary or conflicting requirements of this Permit. This provision does not affect any public process that is otherwise required by this Permit, the HWA, or its implementing regulations, including 40 CFR §270.42 and 20.4.1.901 NMAC.

#### 1.10.3. Extension of Time

The Permittees may seek an extension of time in which to perform a requirement of this Permit, for good cause, by sending a written request for extension of time and proposed revised schedule to the Secretary. The request shall state the length of the requested extension and describe the basis for the request. The Secretary will respond in writing to any request for extension following receipt of the request. If the Secretary denies the request for extension, reasons for the denial will be stated.

#### 1.11. PUBLIC E-MAIL NOTIFICATION LIST

The Permittees shall develop and maintain an e-mail list to notify members of the public concerning actions identified in this Permit requiring e-mail notification. The Permittees shall send e-mail notifications required by this Permit to the e-mail list within seven days of the submittal date to the Secretary and shall include in the e-mail a direct link to the specific document to which it relates. The Permittees shall provide a link on the WIPP Home Page <<http://www.wipp.energy.gov>> whereby members of the public may review the actions requiring e-mail notification and submit a request to be placed on this list.

#### 1.12. CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

The Permittees may claim confidentiality for any information submitted to or requested by the Secretary or required by this Permit. Any such claim must be asserted at the time of submittal in the manner prescribed on the application form, or in the case of other submittals, by stamping the words

“confidential business information” on each page containing such information. If no claim is made, the Secretary may make the information available to the public without further notice. If a claim is asserted, the information will be treated in accordance with the procedures in 40 CFR Part 2 (Public Information), to the extent authorized by Section 74-4-4.3(D) and (F) of the HWA and 20.4.1.100 and .900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §260.2 and §270.12).

### 1.13. DOCUMENTS TO BE MAINTAINED AT THE FACILITY

The Permittees shall comply with the recordkeeping and reporting requirements specified in 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.73(a)) and elsewhere in this Permit.

The Permittees shall maintain at the facility, until closed as specified in Part 6, the following documents and all amendments, revisions and modifications to these documents:

1. Waste Analysis Plan, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.13(b)) and this Permit, and records and results of waste analyses performed as specified in 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.13).
2. Inspection schedules, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.15(b)(2)) and this Permit, and records and results of inspections as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.15(d)).
3. Personnel training documents and records, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.16(d)) and this Permit.
4. Contingency Plan, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.53(a)) and this Permit, including summary reports and details of all incidents that require implementation of the contingency plan as specified in 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.56(j)).
5. Operating record, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.73) and this Permit.
6. Closure Plan, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.112(a)) and this Permit.
7. Post-Closure Plan as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.118(a)) and this Permit.
8. Procedures for limiting air emissions, as required by 20.4.1.500 and .900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §§264.601(c) and 270.23(a)(2)) and this Permit.
9. All other documents required by Part 1, Permit Section 1.7.10, and Part 2.

## 1.14. INFORMATION REPOSITORY

### 1.14.1. Requirement for Information Repository

The Permittees shall establish and maintain an electronic Information Repository (**IR**) in accordance with the requirements of 20.4.1.1102 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §§124.33(c) through (f) and 20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §270.30(m)). The documents contained in the IR shall be accessible to the public from the WIPP Home Page.

The Permittees shall establish the IR no later than the effective date of this Permit.

### 1.14.2. Contents of Information Repository

The Permittees shall ensure that the IR contains the following documents:

1. The Permittees' Part A and Part B Permit Applications associated with the permit renewal;
2. A complete copy of this Permit, as it may be modified;
3. Permit modification notifications and requests associated with this Permit submitted pursuant to 20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §270.42) and any associated responses from the Secretary;
4. The Waste Minimization Report submitted pursuant to Permit Section 2.4;
5. Requests for extensions of time submitted pursuant to Permit Section 1.10.3;
6. Corrective action documents submitted pursuant to Permit Part 8;
7. Each report submitted pursuant to Permit Sections 1.7.11 and 1.7.13 if such report is required to be submitted in writing;
8. Notices of deficiency or disapproval (**NODs**), NOD responses, final approval letters, and directives from the Secretary associated with the documents identified in paragraphs 1, 3, and 6 above;
9. Notices of violation, administrative compliance orders, responses to these documents required by the Secretary, and directives from the Secretary associated with the Permit;
10. Biennial Report submitted pursuant to Permit Section 2.14.2.

### 1.14.3. Index of Information Repository

The Permittees shall ensure that the IR includes an index of the documents contained in the IR identifying all document titles, publications dates, and authors. This index shall be

accessible on the internet through the WIPP Home Page. The Permittees shall ensure that all documents are searchable and printable.

The Permittees shall add new documents to the IR within ten days after the new documents are submitted to, or received from, the Secretary.

#### 1.14.4. Notification to Public of Information Repository

The Permittees shall inform the public of the existence of the IR and how it may be accessed by the following methods:

1. Written notice to all individuals on the facility mailing list 30 days after the IR becomes operational;
2. Public notice in area newspapers, including the Carlsbad Current-Argus, Albuquerque Journal, and Santa Fe New Mexican, when the IR becomes operational;
3. Continuous notice on the WIPP Home Page of the existence of the IR; and
4. In the public notice related to any permit modification notification or request submitted by the Permittees, including permit renewals.

### 1.15. COMMUNITY RELATIONS PLAN

#### 1.15.1. Requirement for Community Relations Plan

The Permittees shall establish and implement a Community Relations Plan (**CRP**) to describe how the Permittees will keep communities and interested members of the public informed of Permit-related activities, including waste management, closure, post-closure, and corrective action, as specified in 20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §270.32(b)(2)). The CRP shall explain how communities and interested members of the public can participate in Permit-related activities.

The Permittees shall implement and post the CRP on the WIPP Home Page within 180 days of the effective date of this Permit. The Permittees shall maintain the CRP until the termination of this Permit.

#### 1.15.2. Contents of Community Relations Plan

The CRP must describe how the Permittees will accomplish the following elements:

1. Identify and establish an open working relationship with communities and interested members of the public;
2. Establish a productive government-to-government relationship between the Permittee DOE and affected tribes and pueblos;

3. Keep communities and interested members of the public informed of permit actions of interest (e.g., implementation of the Contingency Plan, Permit modification requests, Permit compliance issues);
4. Minimize disputes and resolve differences with communities and interested members of the public;
5. Provide a mechanism for the timely dissemination of information in response to individual requests; and
6. Provide a mechanism for communities and interested members of the public to provide feedback and input to the Permittees.

#### 1.15.3. Government to Government Consultation

DOE shall consult on a government-to-government basis with affected tribes and pueblos in New Mexico when developing the CRP in an effort to ensure the program is responsive to their needs. DOE shall document in the operating record of this Permit and post on the WIPP Home Page all consultations, communications, agreements, and disagreements between DOE and affected tribes and pueblos in New Mexico only with the express approval of those entities, regarding the development of the CRP. The CRP shall specify how DOE will consult on a government-to-government basis with affected tribes and pueblos annually concerning how they may be made better informed of the issues related to this Permit.

#### 1.15.4. Initial Consultation on Community Relations Plan

The Permittees shall communicate with and solicit comments from communities and interested members of the public when developing the CRP in an effort to ensure the program is responsive to their needs. The Permittees shall document in the operating record of this Permit all consultations, communications, agreements, and disagreements between the Permittees and all participating entities, with the approval of those entities, regarding the development of the CRP.

#### 1.15.5. Annual Compilation of Comments on Community Relations Plan

The CRP shall specify how the Permittees will solicit comments from communities and interested members of the public annually concerning how they may be made better informed of the issues related to this Permit. The CRP shall specify that the Permittees will annually post on the WIPP Home Page a compilation of all such comments, including any statements of disagreement, with the approval of those entities in a manner set forth in the CRP.



## 1.16. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

### 1.16.1. Applicability

In the event DOE disagrees, in whole or in part, with either an action on a final audit report by NMED (as specified in Permit Section 2.3.2.4) or an evaluation by NMED of DOE's provisional approval of an AK Sufficiency Determination Request for a particular waste stream (as specified in Permit Attachment C), DOE may seek dispute resolution. The dispute resolution procedure in this Permit Section shall be the exclusive mechanism for resolving disputes related to NMED's final audit report action or a determination that DOE's provisional approval for a particular waste stream is inadequate.

### 1.16.2. Notice to NMED

To invoke dispute resolution, DOE shall notify NMED in writing within seven calendar days of receipt of the action or determination in dispute. Such notice shall be sent to the Hazardous Waste Bureau Chief and must set forth the specific matters in dispute, the position DOE asserts should be adopted, a detailed explanation for DOE's position, and any other matters considered necessary for the dispute resolution. For AK Sufficiency Determination disputes, DOE shall also submit all factual data, analysis, opinion, and other documentation upon which they relied for their provisional approval, and any other information that supports their position. NMED shall acknowledge receipt of notification by e-mail sent to DOE's representative as designated in their written notification.

### 1.16.3. Tier I - Informal Negotiations

DOE and NMED shall make all reasonable, good faith efforts to informally resolve disputes related to NMED's determination. DOE and NMED shall meet or teleconference within 15 calendar days from NMED's receipt of notice to commence negotiations to resolve the dispute. DOE and NMED shall have 30 calendar days from NMED's receipt of notice to resolve the dispute. If an agreement is reached, NMED shall promptly inform DOE of the terms of the agreement in writing. DOE shall comply with the terms of such agreement or, if appropriate, submit a revised submittal and implement the same in accordance with such agreement. If an agreement is not reached, NMED shall promptly inform DOE in writing that an agreement has not been reached.

### 1.16.4. Tier II - Final Decision of the Secretary

In the event agreement is not reached within the 30 calendar day period, DOE may submit a written Request for Final Decision to the Secretary. The Request must be submitted within seven calendar days after receipt of notification from NMED that an agreement under Tier I was not reached. The Secretary will notify the Permittees in writing of the decision on the dispute, and the Permittees shall comply with the terms and conditions of the decision. Such decision shall be the final resolution of the dispute and shall be enforceable under this Permit.

#### 1.16.5. Actions Not Affected by Dispute

With the exception of those matters under dispute, the Permittees shall proceed to take any action required by those portions of the submission and of this Permit that NMED determines are not affected by the dispute.

#### 1.16.6. E-Mail Notifications

If DOE submits a notice to NMED pursuant to Permit Section 1.16.2, the Permittees shall post a link to the notice on the WIPP Home Page, and inform those on the e-mail notification list as specified in Permit Section 1.11. After receipt of NMED's letter concerning the conclusion of any Tier I negotiations, the Permittees shall post a link to the NMED letter on the WIPP Home Page, and shall inform those on the e-mail notification list as specified in Permit Section 1.11. If a Tier I agreement is not reached and DOE submits a Tier II request for final decision to the Secretary, the Permittees shall post a link to the request on the WIPP Home Page, and shall inform those on the e-mail notification list as specified in Permit Section 1.11. After receiving notice of the final action by the Secretary, the Permittees shall post a link to the final action on the WIPP Home Page and shall inform those on the e-mail notification list as specified in Permit Section 1.11.

## PERMIT ATTACHMENTS

Permit Attachment A2 (as modified from WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Amended Renewal Application, “Geologic Repository” - Appendix M2).

Permit Attachment C (as modified from WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Amended Renewal Application, “Waste Analysis Plan” - Chapter B).

Permit Attachment C7 (as modified from WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Amended Renewal Application, “Permittee Level TRU Waste Confirmation Processes” - Appendix B7).

Permit Attachment D (as modified from WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Amended Renewal Application, “RCRA Contingency Plan” - Chapter F).

Permit Attachment G1 (as modified from WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Amended Renewal Application, “Detailed Design Report for an Operation Phase Panel Closure System” – Appendix I1)

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## **PART 2 - GENERAL FACILITY CONDITIONS**

### 2.1. DESIGN AND OPERATION OF FACILITY

The Permittees shall design, construct, maintain, and operate WIPP to minimize the possibility of a fire, explosion, or any unplanned sudden or non-sudden release of transuranic (TRU) mixed waste or mixed waste constituents to air, soil, groundwater, or surface water which could threaten human health or the environment, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.31).

### 2.2. WASTE SOURCES

#### 2.2.1. Off-site Wastes

The Permittees may receive off-site TRU mixed waste in compliance with the requirements and conditions specified in this Permit. The Permittees may only receive TRU mixed waste from those sites which comply with the applicable requirements of the Waste Analysis Plan (WAP) specified in Permit Section 2.3.1 and Permit Attachment C, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.13(a)) and as verified through the Audit and Surveillance Program specified in Permit Section 2.3.2.

#### 2.2.2. Required Notification to Off-Site Sources

Before the Permittees receive TRU mixed waste from an off-site source for the first time, they shall inform the generator/storage site in writing that they have the appropriate Permits for, and will accept, the waste the generator/storage site is shipping. The Permittees shall keep a copy of this written notice as part of the operating record, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.12(b)).

### 2.3. GENERAL WASTE ANALYSIS

#### 2.3.1. Waste Analysis Plan

The Permittees shall not manage, store, or dispose TRU mixed waste at WIPP which fails to meet the characterization requirements of 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.13), as specified by this Permit.

The Permittees' WAP, as specified in Permit Attachment C, is approved subject to the following conditions:

##### 2.3.1.1. Implementation of Requirements

- i. The Permittees shall require that generator/storage sites implement applicable waste characterization requirements of the WAP, specified in Permit Attachment C, prior to the Permittees' receipt of TRU mixed waste at WIPP.

- ii. The Permittees or the co-Permittee DOE shall implement applicable waste confirmation requirements of the WAP, pursuant to Permit Attachment C7 (TRU Waste Confirmation), prior to shipment of TRU mixed waste from generator/storage sites to WIPP.

2.3.1.2. Waste Characterization Testing Methods

The Permittees shall require that generator/storage sites comply with the applicable method requirements, quality control, equipment testing, inspection, maintenance, and equipment calibration and frequency standards for the procedures specified in Permit Attachment C1 (Waste Characterization Testing Methods).

2.3.1.3. Waste Sampling and Analysis Methods

If, at any time prior to shipment of a new waste stream or at the time of review of a revised waste stream profile form, the Secretary or Permittees identify a discrepancy regarding the assignment of hazardous waste numbers not authorized in Permit Table 2.3.4, the Permittees shall require the generator/storage site to perform additional evaluation/characterization of the waste stream that may include chemical sampling and analysis of the waste.

If the Secretary or Permittees determine that additional characterization is necessary using chemical sampling and analysis, the Permittees shall direct the generator/storage site to provide the Permittees with the following documentation:

- a) Sampling and analysis plan
- b) EPA SW-846 test method(s), or functionally equivalent test method(s), to be used
- c) Identification of the laboratory(ies) that will be performing the test(s)

Upon request by the Secretary, the Permittees shall provide such documentation within 30 days after receipt from the generator.

Upon the Permittees written approval of the sampling and analysis plan, the generator/storage shall implement the sampling and analysis plan and modify the WSPF as appropriate. The Permittees shall provide copies of the approved plan and the results of all analyses to the NMED per Permit Attachment C, Section C-5a.

2.3.1.4. Quality Assurance Objectives

The Permittees shall require that all waste characterization activities used by generator/storage sites comply with the appropriate quality assurance objectives (**QAOs**) specified in Permit Attachment C3 (Quality Assurance Objectives and Data Validation Techniques for Waste Characterization Methods). The Permittees shall require generator/storage sites to review, validate, and verify all testing data; reconcile testing results with data quality objectives (**DQOs**); satisfy data reporting requirements; and identify, document, and report all nonconformances and operational variances in compliance with Permit Attachment C3.

2.3.1.5. Acceptable Knowledge

The Permittees shall require generator/storage sites to assemble acceptable knowledge documentation and re-evaluate acceptable knowledge determinations, and shall audit (as specified in Permit Section 2.3.2) all aspects of the acceptable knowledge waste characterization process as specified in Permit Attachment C4 (TRU Mixed Waste Characterization Using Acceptable Knowledge).

2.3.1.6. Quality Assurance

The Permittees shall require each generator/storage site to develop and implement a quality assurance project plan (**QAPjP**) which demonstrates compliance with, and implementation of, applicable requirements of the WAP, Permit Attachment C, as specified in Permit Attachment C5 (Quality Assurance Project Plan Requirements).

2.3.1.7. WIPP Waste Information System (**WWIS**) Database

The Permittees shall provide the Secretary access to the WWIS database as necessary to determine compliance with the WAP. The WWIS shall meet all requirements presented in Section C-5a(1) of the WAP, Permit Attachment C, prior to acceptance of TRU mixed waste. The Secretary's access to the WWIS shall be direct, read-only (via modem or Internet) to all query and reporting functions of the Characterization, Certification, Shipping, and Inventory modules of the WWIS database.

Beginning on December 31, 2005, the Permittees instituted a public database containing certain information from the WWIS. The Permittees shall continue to provide such public access through the WIPP Home Page at <<http://www.wipp.energy.gov>>.



### 2.3.2. Audit and Surveillance Program

The Permittees shall not manage, store, or dispose TRU mixed waste at WIPP from a generator/storage site until the following conditions have been met as necessary for the Secretary to determine that the applicable characterization requirements of Permit Section 2.3.1 have been implemented:

#### 2.3.2.1. Requirement to Audit

DOE shall demonstrate to the Secretary that the generator/storage sites have implemented and comply with applicable requirements of the WAP by conducting audits as specified in Permit Attachment C, Section C-5a(3), and Permit Attachment C6 (Audit and Surveillance Program), and as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.13).

#### 2.3.2.2. Observation of Audit

The Secretary may observe such audits as necessary to validate the implementation of and compliance with applicable WAP requirements at each generator/storage site. DOE shall provide the Secretary with a current audit schedule on a monthly basis and notify the Secretary no later than 30 calendar days prior to each audit.

#### 2.3.2.3. Final Audit Report

DOE shall provide the Secretary a final audit report as specified in Permit Attachment C6, and post a link to the final audit report transmittal letter on the WIPP Home Page and inform those on the e-mail notification list as specified in Permit Section 1.11. The final audit report shall include all information specified in Permit Attachment C6, Section C6-4, and:

- i. A detailed description of all corrective actions and the resolution of any corrective action applicable to WAP requirements, including re-audits if required;
- ii. All documentation necessary for the Secretary to determine if the corrective action was resolved.

#### 2.3.2.4. Secretary Notification of Approval

The Secretary shall approve DOE's final audit report by written notification to DOE that the applicable characterization requirements of the WAP at a generator/storage site and have been implemented.

### 2.3.3. Treatment, Storage, and Disposal Facility Waste Acceptance Criteria (TSDF-WAC)

The Permittees shall not accept TRU mixed wastes at WIPP for storage, management, or disposal which fail to meet the treatment, storage, and disposal facility waste acceptance criteria as presented in Permit Sections 2.3.3.1 through 2.3.3.10 of this Permit.

#### 2.3.3.1. Liquid

Liquid waste is not acceptable at WIPP. Liquid in the quantities delineated below is acceptable.

- Observable liquid shall be no more than 1 percent by volume of the outermost container at the time of radiography or visual examination.
- Internal containers with more than 60 milliliters or 3 percent by volume observable liquid, whichever is greater, are prohibited.
- Containers with Hazardous Waste Number U134 (hydrofluoric acid) assigned shall have no observable liquid.
- Overpacking the outermost container that was examined during radiography or visual examination or redistributing untreated liquid within the container shall not be used to meet the liquid volume limits.

#### 2.3.3.2. Pyrophoric Materials

Non-radionuclide pyrophoric materials, such as elemental potassium, are not acceptable at WIPP.

#### 2.3.3.3. Non-mixed Hazardous Wastes

Hazardous wastes not occurring as co-contaminants with TRU wastes (non-mixed hazardous wastes) are not acceptable at WIPP.

#### 2.3.3.4. Chemical Incompatibility

Wastes incompatible with backfill, seal and panel closures materials, container and packaging materials, shipping container materials, or other wastes are not acceptable at WIPP.

#### 2.3.3.5. Explosives and Compressed Gases

Wastes containing explosives or compressed gases are not acceptable at WIPP.

2.3.3.6. PCB Waste

Wastes with polychlorinated biphenyls (**PCBs**) not authorized under an EPA PCB waste disposal authorization are not acceptable at WIPP.

2.3.3.7. Ignitable, Corrosive, and Reactive Wastes

Wastes exhibiting the characteristic of ignitability, corrosivity, or reactivity (EPA Hazardous Waste Numbers of D001, D002, or D003) are not acceptable at WIPP.

2.3.3.8. Excluded Waste

TRU mixed waste that has ever been managed as high-level waste and waste from tanks specified in Permit Attachment C are not acceptable at WIPP unless specifically approved through a Class 3 permit modification. Such wastes are listed in Table 2.3.3.8 below.

<b>Table 2.3.3.8 - Additional Approved Waste Streams</b>	
<b>Date Class 3 Permit Modification Request Approved</b>	<b>Description of Waste Stream</b>

2.3.3.9. Unconfirmed Waste

Any waste container that has not been subject to confirmation pursuant to Permit Attachment C7 is not acceptable at WIPP. This prohibition shall not apply to waste containers accepted before confirmation activities were required by this Permit.

2.3.3.10. Waste Stream Profiles

Any waste container from a waste stream which has not been preceded by an appropriate, certified Waste Stream Profile Form (Attachment C, Figure C-1) is not acceptable at WIPP.

2.3.4. Permitted TRU Mixed Wastes

The Permittees shall accept containers which contain only those TRU mixed wastes listed in Permit Attachment B (Hazardous Waste Permit Application Part A). Allowable TRU mixed wastes are specified in Table 2.3.4 below. Some of the waste may also be identified by

unique state hazardous waste codes. These wastes are acceptable at WIPP as long as the TSDF-WAC are met:

<b>Table 2.3.4 – Permitted TRU Mixed Wastes</b>		
<b>EPA Hazardous Waste Number</b>	<b>Hazardous Waste<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Chemical Abstracts Service (CAS) Registry Number</b>
F001	<u>Spent halogenated solvents:</u> Tetrachloroethylene Trichloroethylene Methylene chloride 1,1,1-Trichloroethane Carbon tetrachloride Chlorinated fluorocarbons	127-18-4 79-01-6 75-09-2 71-55-6 56-23-5 NA
F002	<u>Spent halogenated solvents:</u> Tetrachloroethylene Methylene chloride Trichloroethylene 1,1,1-Trichloroethane Chlorobenzene 1,1,2-Trichloro-1,2,2-trifluoroethane Ortho-dichlorobenzene Trichlorofluoromethane 1,1,2-Trichloroethane	127-18-4 75-09-2 79-01-6 71-55-6 108-90-7 76-13-1 95-50-1 75-69-4 79-00-5
F003	<u>Spent non-halogenated solvents:</u> Xylene Acetone Ethyl acetate Ethyl benzene Ethyl ether Methyl isobutyl ketone n-Butyl alcohol Cyclohexanone Methanol	1330-20-7 67-64-1 141-78-6 100-41-4 60-29-7 108-10-1 71-36-3 108-94-1 67-56-1
F004	<u>Spent non-halogenated solvents:</u> Cresols and cresylic acid Nitrobenzene	1319-77-3 98-95-3

<b>Table 2.3.4 – Permitted TRU Mixed Wastes</b>		
<b>EPA Hazardous Waste Number</b>	<b>Hazardous Waste<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Chemical Abstracts Service (CAS) Registry Number</b>
F005	<u>Spent non-halogenated solvents:</u> Toluene Methyl ethyl ketone Carbon disulfide Isobutanol Pyridine Benzene 2-Ethoxyethanol 2-Nitropropane	108-88-3 78-93-3 75-15-0 78-83-1 110-86-1 71-43-2 110-80-5 79-46-9
F006	<u>Wastewater treatment sludges from electroplating operations:</u> Cadmium Chromium Cyanide Lead Nickel Silver	7440-43-9 7440-47-3 57-12-5 7439-92-1 7440-02-0 7440-22-4
F007	<u>Spent cyanide plating bath solutions from electroplating operations:</u> See F006	
F009	<u>Spent stripping and cleaning bath solutions from electroplating operations where cyanides are used in the process:</u> See F006	
D004	Arsenic	7440-38-2
D005	Barium	7440-39-3
D006	Cadmium	7440-43-9
D007	Chromium	7440-47-3
D008	Lead	7439-92-1
D009	Mercury	7439-97-6
D010	Selenium	7782-49-2
D011	Silver	7440-22-4
D018	Benzene	71-43-2

**Table 2.3.4 – Permitted TRU Mixed Wastes**

<b>EPA Hazardous Waste Number</b>	<b>Hazardous Waste<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Chemical Abstracts Service (CAS) Registry Number</b>
D019	Carbon Tetrachloride	56-23-5
D021	Chlorobenzene	108-90-7
D022	Chloroform	67-66-3
D026	Cresol	1319-77-3
D027	1,4-Dichlorobenzene	106-46-7
D028	1,2-Dichloroethane	107-06-2
D029	1,1-Dichloroethylene	75-35-4
D030	2,4-Dinitrotoluene	121-14-2
D032	Hexachlorobenzene	118-74-1
D033	Hexachlorobutadiene	87-68-3
D034	Hexachloroethane	67-72-1
D035	Methyl ethyl ketone	78-93-3
D036	Nitrobenzene	98-95-3
D037	Pentachlorophenol	87-86-5
D038	Pyridine	110-86-1
D039	Tetrachloroethylene	127-18-4
D040	Trichloroethylene	79-01-6
D043	Vinyl chloride	75-01-4
P015	Beryllium powder (H)	7440-41-7
P030	Cyanides (soluble cyanide salts), not otherwise specified (H)	N/A
P098	Potassium Cyanide (H)	151-50-8
P099	Potassium Silver Cyanide (H)	506-61-6
P106	Sodium Cyanide (H)	143-33-9
P120	Vanadium Pentoxide (H)	1314-62-1
U002	Acetone (I)	67-64-1
U003	Acetonitrile (I,T)	75-05-8

<b>Table 2.3.4 – Permitted TRU Mixed Wastes</b>		
<b>EPA Hazardous Waste Number</b>	<b>Hazardous Waste<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Chemical Abstracts Service (CAS) Registry Number</b>
U019	Benzene (I,T)	71-43-2
U037	Chlorobenzene (T)	108-90-7
U043	Vinyl Chloride (T)	75-01-4
U044	Chloroform (T)	67-66-3
U052	Cresol (T)	1319-77-3
U070	1,2-Dichlorobenzene (T)	95-50-1
U072	1,4-Dichlorobenzene (T)	106-46-7
U078	1,1-Dichloroethylene (T)	75-35-4
U079	1,2-Dichloroethylene (T)	156-60-5
U103	Dimethyl Sulfate (T)	77-78-1
U105	2,4-Dinitrotoluene (T)	121-14-2
U108	1,4-Dioxane (T)	123-91-1
U122	Formaldehyde (T)	50-00-0
U133	Hydrazine (R,T)	302-01-2
U134	Hydrofluoric Acid (C,T)	7664-39-3
U151	Mercury (T)	7439-97-6
U154	Methanol (I)	67-56-1
U159	Methyl Ethyl Ketone (I,T)	78-93-3
U196	Pyridine (T)	110-86-1
U209	1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane (T)	79-34-5
U210	Tetrachloroethylene (T)	127-18-4
U220	Toluene (T)	108-88-3
U226	1,1,1-Trichloroethane (T)	71-55-6
U228	Trichloroethylene (T)	79-01-6
U239	Xylene (I,T)	1330-20-7

<sup>1</sup> Designations in parentheses for P- and U-coded wastes reflect the basis for the listing and are as follows:

H - acute toxicity

T - toxicity

R - reactivity  
I - ignitability  
C - corrosivity

Acceptance of U-coded wastes listed for reactivity, ignitability, or corrosivity characteristics is contingent upon a demonstration that the wastes meet the requirements specified in Permit Section 2.3.3.7.

### 2.3.5. Derived Waste

Any WIPP-generated waste derived from adequately characterized, WIPP-accepted TRU mixed waste generated at an off-site facility (*derived waste*) does not need to be additionally characterized for hazardous waste components if the Permittees use the generator's characterization data and knowledge of the processes at the WIPP facility to identify and characterize derived waste. Derived waste containers shall be managed according to Permit Attachment A1 (Container Storage), Section A1-1d(1), and meet all TSDf waste acceptance criteria in Permit Section 2.3.3 prior to disposal at WIPP.

## 2.4. WASTE MINIMIZATION PROGRAM

The Permittees shall implement and maintain a waste minimization program to reduce the volume and toxicity of hazardous and mixed wastes generated at the facility, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.73(b)(9)). The waste minimization program shall include proposed, practicable methods of treatment and storage currently available to the Permittees to minimize the present and future threat to human health and the environment. The waste minimization program shall include the following items:

1. Written policies or statements that outline goals, objectives, and methods for source reduction and recycling of hazardous and mixed waste at the facility;
2. Employee training or incentive programs designed to identify and implement source reduction and recycling opportunities for all hazardous and mixed wastes;
3. Source reduction or recycling measures implemented in the last five years or planned for the next federal fiscal year;
4. Estimated dollar amounts of capital expenditures and operating costs devoted to source reduction and recycling of hazardous and mixed waste;
5. Factors which have prevented implementation of source reduction or recycling;
6. Summary of additional waste minimization efforts that could be implemented at the facility that analyzes the potential for reducing the quantity and toxicity of each waste stream through production process changes, production reformulations, recycling, and all other appropriate means including an assessment of the technical feasibility, cost, and potential waste reduction for each option;
7. Flow charts and/or tables summarizing all hazardous and mixed waste streams produced by the facility by quantity, type, building or area, and program; and



8. Demonstration of the need to use those processes which produce a particular hazardous or mixed waste due to a lack of alternative processes, available technology, or available alternative processes that would produce less volume or less toxic waste.

The Permittees shall submit to the Secretary a report regarding progress made in the waste minimization program in the previous year. The report shall address items 1 – 8 above, shall show changes from the previous report, and shall be submitted annually by December 1 for the year ending the previous September 30<sup>th</sup>.

## 2.5. DUST SUPPRESSION

The Permittees shall not use waste, used oil, or any other material which is contaminated with dioxin, polychlorinated biphenyls (**PCBs**), or any other hazardous waste (other than a waste identified solely on the basis of ignitability), for dust suppression or road treatment, as specified in 20.4.1.700 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §266.23(b)).

## 2.6. SECURITY

In order to prevent the unknowing entry, and minimize the possibility of unauthorized entry, of persons or livestock onto the active portion of the facility, the Permittees shall comply with the following security provisions, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.14).

### 2.6.1. 24-Hour Surveillance System

The Permittees shall maintain a 24-hour surveillance system comprised of security officers that provide protection 24 hours per day, every day. Security officers shall continuously monitor and control personnel, vehicle, and material access/egress to the active portion of the facility, known as the Property Protection Area (**PPA**), in compliance with 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.14(b)(1)).

During non-operational hours, security officers shall conduct documented security patrols outside of the PPA, at a minimum rate of two per 12-hour shift. Whenever scheduled security patrols cannot be made, the reason for missing the patrol shall be documented in the security logbook.

### 2.6.2. Barrier

The PPA shall be enclosed by a permanent seven ft high chain-link fence topped by three strands of barbed wire, for a total height of eight ft. The fence shall completely surround all major surface structures on the active portion of the facility and shall also be inspected as specified in Permit Attachment E to ensure it remains in good repair, in compliance with 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.14(b)(2)(i)).

### 2.6.3. Means to Control Entry

The Permittees shall control entry to the active portion of the facility at all times, in compliance with 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.14(b)(2)(ii)). Entry into the

PPA, whether by personnel or vehicles, shall be through controlled gates and doors. Only properly identified and authorized persons, vehicles, and property shall be allowed entrance to and exit from the active portion of the facility. Security shall require employees to identify themselves with an identification badge when entering or leaving the premises, and shall require visitors to show proper authorization prior to allowing them to enter the active portion of the facility. Visitors shall be required to wear an approved badge and may require an authorized escort.

For the purposes of entry control to areas where wastes are managed, stored, or disposed, these areas shall be posted as Controlled Areas, and access shall be limited to trained and qualified individuals and visitors escorted by trained and qualified individuals.

#### 2.6.4. Warning Signs

The Permittees shall post “No Trespassing” signs and “Danger: Authorized Personnel Only” signs in English and Spanish at approximately 50 ft intervals on the permanent chain-link fence surrounding the PPA. The signs shall be legible from a distance of 25 ft and shall be visible from any approach to the facility. These same signs, plus security and traffic signs, shall also be located on the controlled gates, in compliance with 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.14(c)).

### 2.7. GENERAL INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS

#### 2.7.1. Inspection Schedule

The Permittees shall implement the inspection schedule specified in Permit Attachment E (Inspection Schedule, Process and Forms) to detect any malfunctions and deteriorations, operator errors, and discharges, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.15(b)).

#### 2.7.2. Inspection Log Forms

The Permittees shall use the inspection logbooks and forms as specified in Permit Attachment E. Original copies of these completed forms are maintained in the Operating Record. The Permittees shall record the date and time of the inspection, the name of the inspector, a notation of the observations made, and the date and nature of any repairs or other remedial actions, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.15(d)).

#### 2.7.3. Inspection Frequency

The Permittees shall inspect monitoring equipment, safety and emergency equipment, security devices, and operating and structural equipment at the frequency specified in Tables E-1 and E-2 of Permit Attachment E, and as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.15(b)).

#### 2.7.4. Inspection Remediation

The Permittees shall remedy any deterioration or malfunction of equipment or structures which an inspection reveals, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.15(c)).

#### 2.7.5. Inspection Records

Beginning with the effective date of this Permit, the Permittees shall maintain inspection logbooks and forms in the operating record until closure, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §§264.15(d) and 264.73(b)(5)).

### 2.8. PERSONNEL TRAINING

The Permittees shall conduct personnel training, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.16).

#### 2.8.1. Personnel Training Content

The personnel training program shall include the requirements specified in Permit Attachment F (Personnel Training) and Permit Attachment F2 (Training Course and Qualification Card Outlines), as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.16).

#### 2.8.2. Personnel Training Requirements

The Permittees shall train all persons involved in the management of mixed and hazardous waste in procedures relevant to the positions in which they are employed, as specified in Permit Attachment F1 (RCRA Hazardous Waste Management Job Titles and Descriptions), and as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.16).

#### 2.8.3. Personnel Training Records

The Permittees shall maintain training documents and records, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.16(d) and (e)).

#### 2.8.4. Continuing Training

Unless otherwise specified by this Permit, continuing training required by this Permit on an annual or biennial basis shall be completed by the end of the month of the anniversary date when the training was previously completed.

2.9. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR HANDLING IGNITABLE, CORROSIVE, REACTIVE, OR INCOMPATIBLE WASTES

The Permittees shall not manage, store or dispose of ignitable, corrosive, reactive, or incompatible wastes, as defined in 20.4.1.200 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §§261.21, 261.22, and 261.23) and 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264 Appendix V) within the permitted units. The Permittees shall comply with the procedures to prevent acceptance of ignitable, corrosive, reactive, and incompatible waste specified in Permit Sections 2.3.1 and 2.3.3.

2.10. PREPAREDNESS AND PREVENTION

2.10.1. Required Equipment

The Permittees shall maintain at the facility the equipment specified in the Contingency Plan, Permit Attachment D (RCRA Contingency Plan), as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.32).

2.10.1.1. Internal Communications

The Permittees shall have an internal communications or alarm system capable of providing immediate emergency instruction (voice or signal) to facility personnel, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.32(a)). The internal communication systems shall include two-way communication by the public address (**PA**) system and its intercom phones and paging channels, an internal telephone system, mine phones, pagers and plectrons, and portable two-way radios. The alarm system shall include local and facility-wide alarm systems.

2.10.1.2. External Communications

The Permittees shall have a communications device or system capable of summoning outside agencies for emergency assistance, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.32(b)). The external communication systems shall include the commercial telephone system and two-way radios.

2.10.1.3. Emergency Equipment

The Permittees shall have portable fire extinguishers, fire control equipment, spill control equipment, and decontamination equipment as described in Permit Attachment D (RCRA Contingency Plan) and as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.32(c)).

2.10.1.4. Water for Fire Control

The Permittees shall have water at adequate volume and pressure to supply water-hose streams, foam-producing equipment, automatic

sprinklers, or water-spray systems, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.32(d)). The WIPP facility water system shall consist of water furnished by the City of Carlsbad capable of providing water at a rate of 6,000 gallons per minute; two water storage tanks, one 180,000-gallon capacity tank for use by the fire-water system and a second tank with a 100,000-gallon reserve; dedicated fire-water pumps rated at 1,500 gallons per minute at 125 pounds per square inch; and a wet-pipe sprinkler system connected to surface buildings as described in Permit Attachment D (RCRA Contingency Plan).

#### 2.10.1.5. Electrical Backup

In case of loss of AC power input to the UPS units, the dedicated batteries were designed to supply power to a fully loaded UPS for 30 minutes. It is expected that the AC power input to the UPS will be restored within 30 minutes, either from the off-site electric utility or from the site back-up power generator system.

The RH Complex is included in the WHB. The Central UPS supplies power to the WHB which includes the RH Complex. The RH Bay, Hot Cell and Transfer Cell equipment are serviced by dual 1,300 KW diesel powered generators located between the exhaust shaft and the WHB. The generators provide backup power to both CH and RH waste handling operations. The RH waste handling equipment is designed to stop as a result of loss of power in a fail-safe condition. Power from the back-up generators may be utilized to place RH TRU mixed waste containers in process into a safe configuration. During a total power outage condition selected RH loads can be powered by the Central UPS. Within a short time selected RH loads at 480 volts and below can be powered by the Backup Diesel Generators. The backup central UPS for the WHB would also supply backup power to the RH Complex.

Human health and the environment are protected during a loss of off-site power by a combination of factors:

- i. The underground filtration system fails in the “filter” mode so that no releases of contaminated particulates will occur
- ii. The UPS maintains all monitoring systems and alarms in waste handling areas so that fires or pressure loss will be detected and an appropriate response initiated
- iii. Generators are brought on line within 30 minutes, at which time hoisting can be initiated so that personnel do not have to stay underground for extended lengths of time.

- iv. Decisions to evacuate underground personnel will be made in accordance with the requirements of the Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA)
- v. The waste hoist brakes set automatically so that loads do not fall
- vi. Cranes retain their loads so that spills do not occur from dropped containers
- vii. Communication systems are maintained
- viii. The emergency operations center is powered if it is needed

#### 2.10.2. Testing and Maintenance of Equipment

The Permittees shall test and maintain the equipment specified in Permit Section 2.10.1, as necessary, to assure its proper operation in time of emergency, as specified in Permit Attachment E and as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.33).

#### 2.10.3. Access to Communications or Alarm System

The Permittees shall maintain access to the communications and alarm systems specified in Permit Section 2.10.1, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.34).

#### 2.10.4. Required Aisle Space

The Permittees shall maintain aisle space in the WHB Unit and Parking Area Unit (Part 3) to allow the unobstructed movement of personnel, fire protection equipment, spill control equipment, and decontamination equipment to any area of facility operation in an emergency, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.35).

#### 2.10.5. Arrangements with Local Authorities

##### 2.10.5.1. Parties to Arrangements

The Permittees shall maintain preparedness and prevention arrangements with state and local authorities, other mining operations, contractors, and other governmental agencies specified in Permit Attachment D, Section D-6, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §§264.37(a) and 264.52(c)). If state or local authorities, other mining operations, contractors, or other governmental agencies decline to enter into preparedness and prevention arrangements with the Permittees, the Permittees shall document this refusal in the operating record, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.37(b)).

#### 2.10.5.2. Coordination Agreements

As specified in Section D-6 of Permit Attachment D, these arrangements shall be either Memoranda of Understanding (**MOU**) or Mutual Aid Agreements (**MAA**) between the Permittees and the off-site cooperating agencies, and shall include the elements required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.37(a)). Copies and descriptions of these MOUs and agreements shall be maintained at the facility in the operating record.

#### 2.11. HAZARDS PREVENTION

The Permittees shall operate the WIPP facility to fully meet each of the requirements of 20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §270.14(b)(8)), to prevent hazards associated with unloading operations, prevent runoff from hazardous waste handling areas, prevent contamination of water supplies, mitigate the effects of equipment and power failures, prevent undue exposure of personnel to hazardous waste, and prevent releases to the atmosphere, as specified in Permit Attachments A (General Facility Description and Process Information), A1 (Container Storage), and A2 (Geologic Repository).

#### 2.12. CONTINGENCY PLAN

##### 2.12.1. Implementation of Plan

The Permittees shall immediately implement the Contingency Plan as specified in Permit Attachment D whenever there is a fire, explosion, or release of mixed or hazardous waste or hazardous waste constituents which could threaten human health or the environment, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.51(b)).

##### 2.12.2. Copies of Plan

The Permittees shall maintain copies of the Contingency Plan and all revisions and amendments to the Contingency Plan as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.53). The Permittees shall provide copies of the current Contingency Plan to the Secretary and all entities with which the Permittees have emergency MOUs or MAAs, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.53(b)). The Permittees shall maintain at least one current paper copy of the Contingency Plan at the facility in a location readily accessible to the Emergency Coordinator specified in Permit Section 2.12.4.

##### 2.12.3. Amendments to Plan

The Permittees shall review and immediately amend, if necessary, the Contingency Plan, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.54).

#### 2.12.4. Emergency Coordinator

An Emergency Coordinator as specified in Table D-2 of Permit Attachment D shall be available at all times in case of an emergency. The Emergency Coordinator shall be thoroughly familiar with the Contingency Plan and shall have the authority to commit the resources needed to implement the Contingency Plan, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.55). In the event of an imminent or actual emergency, the Emergency Coordinator shall implement the requirements of 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.56).

#### 2.13. MANIFEST SYSTEM

The Permittees shall comply with the manifest requirements of 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §§264.71 and 264.72). The Permittees shall not accept for storage or disposal any mixed waste from an off-site source without an accompanying manifest.

#### 2.14. RECORDKEEPING AND REPORTING

In addition to the recordkeeping and reporting requirements specified elsewhere in this Permit, the Permittees shall comply with the following conditions:

##### 2.14.1. Operating Record

The Permittees shall maintain a written operating record at the facility, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.73(a)). The written operating record shall include all information required under 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.73(b)) subject to the limitations on the storage of classified information as discussed in Permit Attachment C. Unless specifically prohibited by this Permit, an electronic record that cannot be altered by the user and capable of producing a paper copy shall be deemed to be a written record. The Permittees shall maintain the operating record until closure of the facility.

##### 2.14.2. Biennial Report

The Permittees shall submit to the Secretary a biennial report, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.75).



## PERMIT ATTACHMENTS

Permit Attachment A (as modified from WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Amended Renewal Application, “General Facility Description and Process Information” - Chapter A and “Information for Specific Units - Chapter M)

Permit Attachment A1 (as modified from WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Amended Renewal Application, “Container Storage - Appendix M1)

Permit Attachment A2 (as modified from WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Amended Renewal Application, “Geologic Repository - Appendix M2)

Permit Attachment B (as modified from WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Amended Renewal Application, “Part A Application”).

Permit Attachment C (as modified from WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Amended Renewal Application, “Waste Analysis Plan” - Chapter B).

Permit Attachment C1 (as modified from WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Amended Renewal Application, “Waste Characterization Sampling Methods” - Appendix B1).

Permit Attachment C3 (as modified from WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Amended Renewal Application, “Quality Assurance Objectives and Data Validation Techniques for Waste Characterization Sampling and Analytical Methods” - Appendix B3).

Permit Attachment C4 (as modified from WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Amended Renewal Application, “TRU Waste Characterization Using Acceptable Knowledge” - Appendix B4).

Permit Attachment C5 (as modified from WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Amended Renewal Application, “Quality Assurance Project Plan Requirements” - Appendix B5).

Permit Attachment C6 (as modified from WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Amended Renewal Application, “Waste Isolation Pilot Plant DOE Audit and Surveillance Program” - Appendix B6).

Permit Attachment C7 (as modified from WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Amended Renewal Application, “Permittee Level TRU Waste Confirmation Processes” - Appendix B7).

Permit Attachment D (as modified from WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Amended Renewal Application, “RCRA Contingency Plan” - Chapter F).

Permit Attachment E (as modified from WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Amended Renewal Application, “Inspection Schedule, Process and Forms” - Chapter D).

Permit Attachment F (as modified from WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Amended Renewal Application, “Personnel Training” - Chapter H).

Permit Attachment F1 (as modified from WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Amended Renewal Application, "RCRA Hazardous Waste Management Job Titles and Descriptions" - Appendix H1).

Permit Attachment F2 (as modified from WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Amended Renewal Application, "Training Course and Qualification Card Outlines" - Appendix H2).



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## **PART 3 - CONTAINER STORAGE**

### 3.1. DESIGNATED CONTAINER STORAGE UNITS

This Part authorizes the storage and management of transuranic (**TRU**) mixed waste containers in the Waste Handling Building and Parking Area Container Storage Units described below. Specific facility and process information for the storage and management of TRU mixed waste in these Container Storage Units is incorporated in Permit Attachment A1 (Container Storage).

#### 3.1.1. Waste Handling Building Container Storage Unit

The Waste Handling Building Container Storage Unit (**WHB Unit**) is located in the Waste Handling Building (**WHB**) at the WIPP facility. The WHB Unit consists of the WHB contact-handled (**CH**) Bay and the remote-handled (**RH**) Complex. The areas and storage capacities for the WHB unit are defined in Table 3.1.1.

The Permittees may store and manage TRU mixed waste in the WHB Unit, provided the Permittees comply with the following conditions:

##### 3.1.1.1. Storage Containers

The Permittees shall store TRU mixed waste in containers specified in Permit Section 3.3.1.

##### 3.1.1.2. Storage Locations and Quantities

The Permittees may store TRU mixed waste containers in the locations in the WHB Unit, as specified in Table 3.1.1 below and depicted in Permit Attachment A1, Figures A1-1 and A1-17a, b, and c. The Permittees may store quantities of TRU mixed waste containers in these locations not to exceed the maximum capacities specified in Table 3.1.1 below.

##### 3.1.1.3. Use of CH Bay Surge Storage

The Permittees may use the CH Bay Surge Storage Area in Table 3.1.1 below only as specified in Permit Attachment A1, Section A1-1c(1).

##### 3.1.1.4. Notification of CH Bay Surge Storage Use

The Permittees shall notify the Secretary in writing upon using the CH Bay Surge Storage Area and provide justification for its use. The Permittees shall post a link to the notice of CH Bay Surge Storage Area use on the WIPP Home Page, and inform those on the e-mail notification list as specified in Permit Section 1.11. The Permittees shall submit a report to the Secretary by October 27 of each year summarizing CH Bay Surge Storage Area usage.

<b>Table 3.1.1 - WHB Unit</b>			
<b>Description</b>	<b>Area</b>	<b>Maximum Capacity</b>	<b>Container Equivalent</b>
CH Bay Storage Area	32,307ft <sup>2</sup> (3,001 m <sup>2</sup> )	4,800 ft <sup>3</sup> (135.9 m <sup>3</sup> )	13 loaded facility pallets and 4 CH Packages at the TRUDOCKS
CH Bay Surge Storage Area	included in CH Bay Storage Area	1,600 ft <sup>3</sup> (45.3 m <sup>3</sup> )	5 loaded facility pallets
Derived Waste Storage Area	included in CH Bay Storage Area	66.3 ft <sup>3</sup> (1.88 m <sup>3</sup> )	1 Standard Waste Box
<b>Total for CH Waste</b>	32,307 ft <sup>2</sup> (3,001 m <sup>2</sup> )	<b>6,466.3 ft<sup>3</sup></b> <b>183.1 m<sup>3</sup></b>	
RH Bay	12,552 ft <sup>2</sup> (1,166 m <sup>2</sup> )	156 ft <sup>3</sup> (4.4 m <sup>3</sup> )	2 loaded casks and 1 drum of derived waste
Cask Unloading Room	382 ft <sup>2</sup> (36 m <sup>2</sup> )	74 ft <sup>3</sup> (2.1 m <sup>3</sup> )	1 loaded cask
Hot Cell	1,841 ft <sup>2</sup> (171 m <sup>2</sup> )	94.9 ft <sup>3</sup> (2.7 m <sup>3</sup> )	12 drums and 1 drum of derived waste
Transfer Cell	1,003 ft <sup>2</sup> (93 m <sup>2</sup> )	31.4 ft <sup>3</sup> (0.89 m <sup>3</sup> )	1 canister
Facility Cask Loading Room	1,625 ft <sup>2</sup> (151 m <sup>2</sup> )	31.4 ft <sup>3</sup> (0.89 m <sup>3</sup> )	1 canister
<b>Total for RH Waste</b>	<b>17,403 ft<sup>2</sup></b> <b>(1,617 m<sup>2</sup>)</b>	<b>387.7 ft<sup>3</sup></b> <b>(11.0 m<sup>3</sup>)</b>	
<b>Facility Total</b>	<b>49,710 ft<sup>2</sup></b> <b>(4,618 m<sup>2</sup>)</b>	<b>6,854 ft<sup>3</sup></b> <b>(194.1 m<sup>3</sup>)</b>	

3.1.1.5. Storage on Pallets

The Permittees shall store TRU mixed waste containers unloaded from the Contact-Handled Packages (**TRUPACT-II, HalfPACT, or TRUPACT III** shipping containers) on pallets in the WHB Unit, as described in Permit Attachment A1, Section A1-1c(1).

3.1.1.6. Storage of Derived Waste

The Permittees shall store containers of TRU mixed derived waste only in the Derived Waste Storage Area, the RH Bay, and the RH Hot Cell. The

Permittees shall store the derived waste containers on a pallet that provides secondary containment and elevates the containers at least 6 inches above the floor to protect them from contact with accumulated liquid.

3.1.1.7. CH TRU Mixed Waste Storage Time Limit

The Permittees shall not store a CH TRU mixed waste container in the WHB Unit for more than 60 calendar days, with the exception of the Derived Waste Storage Area, where derived waste may be accumulated and stored until the container is full.

3.1.1.8. Minimum Aisle Space

The Permittees shall maintain a minimum aisle space of 44 inches (1.1 m) between facility pallets in the CH Bay of the WHB Unit. The Permittees shall maintain adequate aisle space of 44 inches (1.1 m) between loaded casks in the RH Bay of the WHB Unit. For other locations within the RH Complex, sufficient aisle space will be maintained to assure that emergency equipment can be accessed or moved to the necessary locations.

3.1.1.9. Storage of RH TRU Mixed Waste Containers

The Permittees shall store RH TRU mixed waste in casks, canisters, or drums in the RH Complex as described in Permit Attachment A1, Section A1-1c(1).

3.1.1.10. RH TRU Mixed Waste Storage Time Limit

The Permittees shall not store a RH TRU mixed waste container in the RH Complex for more than 60 calendar days, with the following exceptions:

- i. Derived Waste Storage Areas, where derived waste may be accumulated and stored until the container is full; and
- ii. Hot Cell, where 55-gallon drums may be stored for no more than 25 of the 60 calendar days.

3.1.1.11. Hot Cell RH TRU Mixed Waste Processing Capacity

The processing capacity of the Hot Cell is limited to 13,773 ft<sup>3</sup> (390 m<sup>3</sup>) of RH TRU mixed waste.



### 3.1.2. Parking Area Container Storage Unit

The Parking Area Container Storage Unit (**Parking Area Unit**) is an asphalt and concrete surface extending from north of the rail sidings to the WHB, within the Controlled Area. The Parking Area Unit shall be enclosed by chain link fence. The Parking Area Unit shall comprise a surface area of no more than 137,050 ft<sup>2</sup> (12,730 m<sup>2</sup>), as depicted in Permit Attachment A1, Figure A1-2.

The Permittees may store and manage TRU mixed waste in the Parking Area Unit, provided the Permittees comply with the following conditions:

#### 3.1.2.1. Storage Containers

The Permittees shall store TRU mixed waste in containers specified in Permit Section 3.3.1. These TRU mixed waste containers shall be stored within the sealed Contact-Handled or Remote-Handled Packages described in Permit Attachment A1.

#### 3.1.2.2. Storage Locations and Quantities

The Permittees shall store TRU mixed waste containers in any location within the Parking Area Unit, as specified in Table 3.1.2 below. The Permittees may store quantities of TRU mixed waste containers within sealed Contact-Handled or Remote-Handled Packages in these locations not to exceed the maximum capacities specified in Table 3.1.2 below.

#### 3.1.2.3. Use of Parking Area Surge Storage

The Permittees may use the Parking Area Surge Storage in Table 3.1.2 below only when the maximum capacity in the Parking Area is reached and as specified in Permit Attachment A1, Section A1-1c(2).

#### 3.1.2.4. Notification of Parking Area Surge Storage Use

The Permittees shall notify the Secretary in writing upon using the Parking Area Surge Storage and provide justification for its use. The Permittees shall post a link to the notice of Parking Area Surge Storage use on the WIPP Home Page, and inform those on the e-mail notification list as specified in Permit Section 1.11. The Permittees shall submit a report to the Secretary by October 27 of each year summarizing Parking Area Surge Storage usage.

<b>Table 3.1.2 - Parking Area Unit</b>			
<b>Description</b>	<b>Area</b>	<b>Maximum Capacity</b>	<b>Container Equivalent</b>
Parking Area	137,050 ft <sup>2</sup> (12,730 m <sup>2</sup> )	6,734 ft <sup>3</sup> (191 m <sup>3</sup> )	40 Contact-Handled Packages containing waste and 8 Remote-Handled Packages containing waste. The total number of Contact-Handled Packages containing waste in the Parking Area Unit cannot exceed 50.
Parking Area Surge Storage	Included in Parking Area	2,129 ft <sup>3</sup> (60 m <sup>3</sup> )	12 Contact-Handled Packages and 4 Remote-Handled Packages. The total number of Contact-Handled Packages containing waste in the Parking Area Unit cannot exceed 50.

3.1.2.5. Prohibition on Opening Shipping Containers

The Permittees shall keep the Contact-Handled or Remote-Handled Packages sealed at all times while in the Parking Area Unit.

3.1.2.6. Storage Time Limit

The Permittees shall not store sealed Contact-Handled or Remote-Handled Packages in the Parking Area Unit for more than 59 days after the date the Inner Containment Vessel (ICV) of the Package was sealed at the generator site. Prior to storing a sealed Package, the Permittees shall verify that the ICV Closure Date for each Package is recorded in the WIPP Waste Information System (WWIS) database described in Permit Attachment C (Waste Analysis Plan).

3.1.2.7. Minimum Aisle Space

The Permittees shall maintain a minimum spacing of 4 ft (1.2 m) between loaded Contact-Handled or Remote-Handled Packages.

3.2. PERMITTED AND PROHIBITED WASTE IDENTIFICATION

3.2.1. Permitted Waste

The Permittees may store and manage TRU mixed waste in the WHB Unit and Parking Area Unit, provided the Permittees comply with the following conditions:

3.2.1.1. Waste Analysis Plan

The TRU mixed waste shall be characterized to comply with the waste analysis plan specified in Permit Section 2.3.1.

3.2.1.2. TSDF Waste Acceptance Criteria

The TRU mixed waste shall comply with the treatment, storage, and disposal facility (TSDF) waste acceptance criteria specified in Permit Section 2.3.3.

3.2.1.3. Hazardous Waste Numbers

The TRU mixed waste shall contain only hazardous waste numbers specified in Permit Section 2.3.4.

3.2.2. Prohibited Waste

The Permittees shall not store or manage any TRU mixed waste that fails to comply with Permit Section 3.2.1.

3.3. CONDITION OF CONTAINERS

If a container holding TRU mixed waste is not in good condition (e.g., severe rusting, apparent structural defects) or if it begins to leak, the Permittees shall manage the TRU mixed waste containers specified in Permit Section 3.3.1 as specified in Permit Attachment A1 and in compliance with 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.171).

3.3.1. Acceptable Storage Containers

The Permittees shall use containers that comply with the requirements for U.S. Department of Transportation shipping container regulations (49 CFR §173 - Shippers - General Requirements for Shipment and Packaging, and 49 CFR §178 - Specifications for Packaging) for storage of TRU mixed waste at WIPP. The Permittees are prohibited from storing TRU mixed waste in any container not specified in Permit Attachment A1, Section A1-1b, as set forth below:

3.3.1.1. Standard 55-gallon (208-liter) Drum

Each standard 55-gallon drum has a gross internal volume of 7.4 ft<sup>3</sup> (0.21 m<sup>3</sup>).

3.3.1.2. Standard Waste Box (SWB)

Each SWB has a gross internal volume of 66.3 ft<sup>3</sup> (1.88 m<sup>3</sup>).

3.3.1.3. Ten-drum Overpack (TDOP)

Each TDOP has a gross internal volume of 160 ft<sup>3</sup> (4.5 m<sup>3</sup>). TDOPs may be used to contain up to ten standard 55-gallon drums or one SWB. TDOPs may be direct loaded or used to overpack drums or SWBs containing CH TRU mixed waste.

3.3.1.4. 85-gallon (322-liter) Drum

Each 85-gallon drum has a gross internal volume of up to 11.4 ft<sup>3</sup> (0.32 m<sup>3</sup>). 85-gallon drums may be direct loaded or used for overpacking 55-gallon drums containing CH TRU mixed waste and for collecting and storing derived waste.

3.3.1.5. 100-gallon (379-liter) Drum

Each 100-gallon drum has a gross internal volume of 13.4 ft<sup>3</sup> (0.38m<sup>3</sup>). 100-gallon drums may be direct loaded with CH TRU mixed waste.

3.3.1.6. RH TRU Canister

Each RH TRU canister has a gross internal volume of 31.4 ft<sup>3</sup> (0.89 m<sup>3</sup>). RH TRU canisters contain RH TRU mixed waste packaged in small containers (e.g., 55-gallon drums) or waste loaded directly into the canister.

3.3.1.7. Standard Large Box 2 (SLB2)

Each SLB2 has a gross internal volume of 261 ft<sup>3</sup> (7.39 m<sup>3</sup>). SLB2s may be direct loaded with CH TRU mixed waste.

3.3.1.8. Shielded Container\*

Each shielded container contains a 30-gallon inner container with a gross internal volume of 4.0 ft<sup>3</sup> (0.11m<sup>3</sup>). Shielded containers contain RH TRU mixed waste, but shielding will allow it to be managed and stored as CH TRU mixed waste. For the purpose of this Permit, shielded containers will be managed, stored, and disposed as CH TRU mixed waste, but will be counted towards the volume limits associated with RH TRU mixed waste. Shielded containers may be overpacked into standard waste box or ten drum overpack.

\* “Shielded Container” refers to the container depicted in Figure A1-37.

### 3.3.2. Derived Waste Containers

The Permittees shall use standard 55-gallon drums, SWBs, or 85-gallon drums to collect, store, and dispose of derived waste.

### 3.4. COMPATIBILITY OF WASTE WITH CONTAINERS

The Permittees shall use containers made of or lined with materials which will not react with, and are otherwise compatible with, the TRU mixed waste to be stored, so that the ability of the container to contain the waste is not impaired, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.172).

### 3.5. MANAGEMENT OF CONTAINERS

The Permittees shall manage all containers as specified in Permit Attachment A1 and shall keep all containers closed during storage, except when it is necessary to add waste to derived waste containers. The Permittees shall not open, handle, or store containers in a manner which may rupture the container or cause it to leak, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.173).

### 3.6. CONTAINMENT SYSTEMS

The Permittees shall maintain the secondary containment systems for all containers managed in the WHB Unit and Parking Area Unit as specified in Permit Attachment A1, Section A1-1f, and as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.175).

### 3.7. INSPECTION SCHEDULES AND PROCEDURES

The Permittees shall inspect the WHB Unit and Parking Area Unit TRU mixed waste container storage and management areas at least weekly, in accordance with Permit Attachment E (Inspection Schedule, Process and Forms), Tables E-1 and E-1a, and Permit Attachment A1, Section A1-1e, to detect leaking containers and deterioration of containers and the containment system caused by corrosion and other factors, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.174).

#### 3.7.1. Inspection of 55-Gallon Drum Seven-Packs

The Permittees shall not be required to inspect the center drum of a 55-gallon seven-pack assembly, as depicted in Permit Attachment A2 (Geologic Repository), Figure A2-6.

#### 3.7.2. Inspection of Sealed Contact-Handled or Remote-Handled Packages

The Permittees shall not be required to inspect the contents of sealed Contact-Handled or Remote-Handled Packages stored in compliance with Permit Section 3.1.2 and Permit Attachment A1, Section A1-1e(2). The Permittees shall ensure a clearly legible marking or label is present on each Contact-Handled and Remote-Handled Package indicating whether the Contact-Handled or Remote-Handled Package contains TRU mixed waste.

3.8. RECORDKEEPING

The Permittees shall place the results of waste analyses in the operating record as specified in Permit Section 2.14 and Permit Attachment C.

## PERMIT ATTACHMENTS

Permit Attachment A1 (as modified from WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Amended Renewal Application, “Container Storage” – Appendix M1).

Permit Attachment A2 (as modified from WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Amended Renewal Application, “Geologic Repository” – Appendix M2).

Permit Attachment C (as modified from WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Amended Renewal Application, “Waste Analysis Plan” - Chapter C).

Permit Attachment E (as modified from WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Amended Renewal Application, “Inspection Schedule, Process and Forms” - Chapter D).

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## **PART 4 - GEOLOGIC REPOSITORY DISPOSAL**

### 4.1. DESIGNATED DISPOSAL UNITS

This Part authorizes the management and disposal of contact-handled (**CH**) and remote-handled (**RH**) transuranic (**TRU**) mixed waste containers in the Underground Hazardous Waste Disposal Units (**Underground HWDUs**) identified herein. Specific facility and process information for the management and disposal of CH and RH TRU mixed waste in the Underground HWDUs is incorporated in Permit Attachment A2 (Geologic Repository).

#### 4.1.1. Underground Hazardous Waste Disposal Units

The Underground HWDUs are located at the WIPP facility approximately 2150 feet (665 meters) below the ground surface within the Salado formation. An Underground HWDU is a single excavated panel, consisting of seven rooms and two access drifts, designated for disposal of TRU mixed waste containers.

The Permittees may dispose TRU mixed waste in the Underground HWDUs, provided the Permittees comply with the following conditions:

##### 4.1.1.1. Disposal Containers

The Permittees shall dispose TRU mixed waste in containers specified in Permit Section 4.3.1.

##### 4.1.1.2. Disposal Locations and Quantities

The Permittees shall dispose TRU mixed waste containers in eight Underground HWDUs, as specified in Table 4.1.1 below and depicted in Permit Attachment A2, Figure A2-1. The Permittees may dispose quantities of TRU mixed waste containers in these locations not to exceed the maximum capacities specified in Table 4.1.1 below. The Permittees may increase these capacities subject to the following conditions:

- i. The Permittees may submit a Class 1 permit modification requiring prior approval of the Secretary in accordance with 20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §270.42(a)) to increase the CH TRU mixed waste capacity by 35,300 ft<sup>3</sup> (1,000 m<sup>3</sup>) or less, and the RH TRU mixed waste capacities in Panels 5 and 6 to a maximum of 22,950 ft<sup>3</sup> (650 m<sup>3</sup>).

At least 15 calendar days before submittal to NMED, the Permittees shall post a link to the Class 1 permit modification on the WIPP Home Page and inform those on the e-mail notification list.

- ii. Notwithstanding Permit Section 4.1.1.2.i, any Underground HWDU CH TRU waste capacity may be increased by up to 25 percent of the total maximum capacity in Table 4.1.1 by submitting a Class 2 permit modification request in accordance with 20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §270.42(b)).

<b>Table 4.1.1 - Underground HWDUs</b>				
<b>Description<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Waste Type</b>	<b>Maximum Capacity<sup>2</sup></b>		<b>Final Waste Volume</b>
Panel 1	CH TRU	636,000ft <sup>3</sup> (18,000 m <sup>3</sup> )		370,800 ft <sup>3</sup> (10,500 m <sup>3</sup> )
Panel 2	CH TRU	636,000 ft <sup>3</sup> (18,000 m <sup>3</sup> )		635,600 ft <sup>3</sup> (17,998 m <sup>3</sup> )
Panel 3	CH TRU	662,150 ft <sup>3</sup> (18,750 m <sup>3</sup> )		603,600 ft <sup>3</sup> (17,092 m <sup>3</sup> )
Panel 4	CH TRU	662,150 ft <sup>3</sup> (18,750 m <sup>3</sup> )		503,500 ft <sup>3</sup> (14,258 m <sup>3</sup> )
	RH TRU	12,570 ft <sup>3</sup> (356 m <sup>3</sup> )		6,200 ft <sup>3</sup> (176 m <sup>3</sup> )
Panel 5	CH TRU	662,150 ft <sup>3</sup> (18,750 m <sup>3</sup> )		562,500 ft <sup>3</sup> (15,927m <sup>3</sup> )
	RH TRU	15,720 ft <sup>3</sup> (445 m <sup>3</sup> )		8,300 ft <sup>3</sup> (235 m <sup>3</sup> )
Panel 6	CH TRU	662,150 ft <sup>3</sup> (18,750 m <sup>3</sup> )		510,900 ft <sup>3</sup> (14,468 m <sup>3</sup> )
	RH TRU	18,860 ft <sup>3</sup> (534 m <sup>3</sup> )		7,500 ft <sup>3</sup> (214 m <sup>3</sup> )
Panel 7	CH TRU	662,150 ft <sup>3</sup> (18,750 m <sup>3</sup> )		
	RH TRU	22,950 ft <sup>3</sup> (650 m <sup>3</sup> )		
Panel 8	CH TRU	662,150 ft <sup>3</sup> (18,750 m <sup>3</sup> )		
	RH TRU	22,950 ft <sup>3</sup> (650 m <sup>3</sup> )		
<b>Total</b>	<b>CH TRU</b>	<b>5,244,900 ft<sup>3</sup></b> <b>(148,500 m<sup>3</sup>)</b>		
	<b>RH TRU</b>	<b>93,050 ft<sup>3</sup></b> <b>(2,635 m<sup>3</sup>)</b>		

<sup>1</sup> The area of each panel is approximately 124,150 ft<sup>2</sup> (11,533 m<sup>2</sup>).

<sup>2</sup> "Maximum Capacity" is the maximum volume of TRU mixed waste that may be emplaced in each panel. The maximum repository capacity of "6.2 million cubic feet of transuranic waste" is specified in the WIPP Land Withdrawal Act (Pub. L. 102-579, as amended)

## 4.2. PERMITTED AND PROHIBITED WASTE IDENTIFICATION

### 4.2.1. Permitted Waste

The Permittees may dispose TRU mixed waste in the Underground HWDUs, provided the Permittees comply with the following conditions:

#### 4.2.1.1. Waste Analysis Plan

The TRU mixed waste shall be characterized to comply with the waste analysis plan specified in Permit Section 2.3.1.

#### 4.2.1.2. TSDF Waste Acceptance Criteria

The TRU mixed waste shall comply with the treatment, storage, and disposal facility (**TSDF**) waste acceptance criteria specified in Permit Section 2.3.3.

#### 4.2.1.3. Hazardous Waste Numbers

The TRU mixed waste shall contain only hazardous waste numbers specified in Permit Section 2.3.4.

Derived waste may be disposed in the Underground HWDUs as specified in Permit Section 2.3.5.

### 4.2.2. Prohibited Waste

#### 4.2.2.1. General Prohibition

The Permittees shall not dispose any TRU mixed waste that fails to comply with Permit Section 4.2.1.

#### 4.2.2.2. Specific Prohibition

After this Permit becomes effective, the Permittees shall not dispose non-mixed TRU waste in any Underground HWDU unless such waste is characterized in accordance with the requirements of the WAP specified in Permit Section 2.3.1. The Permittees shall not dispose TRU mixed waste in any Underground HWDU if the Underground HWDU contains non-mixed TRU waste which was disposed of after this Permit became effective and was not characterized in accordance with the requirements of the WAP.

#### 4.3. DISPOSAL CONTAINERS

##### 4.3.1. Acceptable Disposal Containers

The Permittees shall use containers that comply with the requirements for U.S. Department of Transportation shipping container regulations (49 CFR §173 - Shippers - General Requirements for Shipment and Packaging, and 49 CFR §178 - Specifications for Packaging) for disposal of TRU mixed waste at WIPP. The Permittees are prohibited from disposing TRU mixed waste in any container not specified in Permit Attachment A1 (Container Storage), Section A1-1b, as set forth below:

###### 4.3.1.1. Standard 55-gallon (208-liter) Drum

Standard 55-gallon drums are configured as a 7-pack or as an individual unit.

###### 4.3.1.2. Standard Waste Box (SWB)

An SWB is configured as an individual unit.

###### 4.3.1.3. Ten-drum Overpack (TDOP)

A TDOP is configured as an individual unit.

###### 4.3.1.4. 85-gallon (322-liter) Drum

85-gallon drums are configured as a 4-pack or as an individual unit.

###### 4.3.1.5. 100 gallon (379-liter) Drum

100-gallon drums are configured as a 3-pack or as an individual unit.

###### 4.3.1.6. RH TRU Canister

An RH TRU canister is configured as an individual unit.

###### 4.3.1.7. Standard Large Box 2 (SLB2)

An SLB2 is configured as an individual unit.

###### 4.3.1.8. Shielded Container

Shielded containers are configured as a three-pack.

4.3.2. Condition of Containers

If a container holding TRU mixed waste is not in good condition (e.g., severe rusting, apparent structural defects) or if it begins to leak prior to disposal in an Underground HWDU, the Permittees shall manage the TRU mixed waste containers specified in Permit Section 4.3.1 as specified in Permit Attachment A1 and in compliance with 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.171).

4.4. VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUND LIMITS

The Permittees shall limit releases to the air of volatile organic compound waste constituents (VOCs) as specified by the following conditions, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.601(c)):

4.4.1. Room-Based Limits

The measured concentration of VOCs in any open (active) room and in each closed room in active panels within an Underground HWDU shall not exceed the limits specified in Table 4.4.1 below:

<b>Table 4.4.1 - VOC Room-Based Limits</b>	
<b>Compound</b>	<b>VOC Room-Based Concentration Limit (PPMV)</b>
Carbon Tetrachloride	9625
Chlorobenzene	13000
Chloroform	9930
1,1-Dichloroethylene	5490
1,2-Dichloroethane	2400
Methylene Chloride	100000
1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane	2960
Toluene	11000
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	33700

There are no maximum concentration limits for other VOCs.

4.4.2. Determination of VOC Room-Based Limits

The Permittees shall confirm the VOC concentration and emission rate limits identified in Permit Section 4.4.1 using the VOC Monitoring Plan specified in Permit Attachment N

(Volatile Organic Compound Monitoring Plan). The Permittees shall conduct monitoring of VOCs as specified in Permit Sections 4.6.2 and 4.6.3.

#### 4.4.3. Ongoing Disposal Room VOC Monitoring in Panels 3 Through 8

The Permittees shall continue disposal room VOC monitoring in Room 1 of Panels 3 through 8 after completion of waste emplacement until final panel closure unless the explosion-isolation wall specified in Permit Attachment G1 (Detailed Design Report for an Operation Phase Panel Closure System) is installed in the panel.

#### 4.5. DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, AND OPERATION REQUIREMENTS

The Permittees shall design, construct, and operate the Underground HWDUs as specified by the following conditions and as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.601):

##### 4.5.1. Repository Design

The Permittees shall construct each Underground HWDU in conformance with the requirements specified in Permit Attachment A2 and Permit Attachment A3 (Drawing Number 51-W-214-W, "Underground Facilities Typical Disposal Panel").

##### 4.5.2. Repository Construction

###### 4.5.2.1. Construction Requirements

Subject to Permit Section 4.5.1, the Permittees may excavate the following Underground HWDUs, as depicted in Permit Attachment A2, Figure A2-1, "Repository Horizon", and specified in Section A2-2a(3), "Subsurface Structures (Underground Hazardous Waste Disposal Units (HWDUs))":

- Panel 10 (Disposal area access drift)
- Panel 2
- Panel 9 (Disposal area access drift)
- Panel 3
- Panel 4
- Panel 5
- Panel 6
- Panel 7
- Panel 8

Prior to disposal of TRU mixed waste in a newly constructed Underground HWDU, the Permittees shall comply with the certification requirements specified in Permit Section 1.7.11.2.

#### 4.5.2.2. Notification Requirements

At least 30 calendar days prior to the projected start date of excavation of each Underground HWDU, the Permittees shall provide written notification to the Secretary stating the projected start date of excavation, along with supporting rationale (e.g., projected waste receipt rate, etc.). The Permittees shall post a link to the notification transmittal letter on the WIPP Home Page and inform those on the e-mail notification list as specified in Permit Section 1.11.

Prior to disposal of TRU mixed waste in a newly constructed Underground HWDU, the Permittees shall comply with the certification requirements specified in Permit Section 1.5.11.

#### 4.5.3. Repository Operation

##### 4.5.3.1. Underground Traffic Flow

The Permittees shall restrict and separate the ventilation and traffic flow areas in the underground TRU mixed waste handling and disposal areas from the ventilation and traffic flow areas for mining and construction equipment, except that during waste transport in W-30, ventilation need not be separated north of S-1600.

The Permittees shall designate routes for the traffic flow of TRU mixed waste handling equipment and construction equipment as required by Permit Attachment A4 (Traffic Patterns), Section A4-4, "Underground Traffic." These routes will be recorded on a mine map that is posted in a location where persons entering the underground can read it. Whenever the routes are changed, the map will be updated. Maps will be available in facility files until facility closure.

##### 4.5.3.2. Ventilation

The Permittees shall maintain a minimum running annual average mine ventilation exhaust rate of 260,000 standard ft<sup>3</sup>/min and a minimum active room ventilation rate of 35,000 standard ft<sup>3</sup>/min in each active room when waste disposal is taking place and workers are present in the room, as specified in Permit Attachment A2, Section A2-2a(3), "Subsurface Structures (Underground Ventilation System Description)" and as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.601(c)).



#### 4.5.3.3. Ventilation Barriers

The Permittees shall construct ventilation barricades in active Underground HWDUs to restrict the flow of mine ventilation air through full disposal rooms, as specified in Permit Attachment A2, Section A2-2a(3), “Subsurface Structures (Underground Ventilation System Description)” and as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.601(c)).

#### 4.6. MAINTENANCE AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS

The Permittees shall maintain and monitor the Underground HWDUs as specified by the following conditions and as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §§264.601 and 264.602):

##### 4.6.1. Geomechanical Monitoring

###### 4.6.1.1. Implementation of Geomechanical Monitoring Program

The Permittees shall implement a geomechanical monitoring program in each Underground HWDU as specified in Permit Attachment A2, Section A2-5b(2), “Geomechanical Monitoring” and as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.602).

###### 4.6.1.2. Reporting Requirements

The Permittees shall submit to the Secretary an annual report in October evaluating the geomechanical monitoring program and shall include geomechanical data collected from each Underground HWDU during the previous year, as specified in Permit Attachment A2, Section A2-5b(2), “Geomechanical Monitoring”, and shall also include a map showing the current status of HWDU mining. The Permittees shall also submit at that time an annual certification by a registered professional engineer certifying the stability of any explosion-isolation walls. The Permittees shall post a link to the geomechanical monitoring report transmittal letter on the WIPP Home Page and inform those on the e-mail notification list as specified in Permit Section 1.11.

###### 4.6.1.3. Notification of Adverse Conditions

When evaluation of the geomechanical monitoring system data identifies a trend towards unstable conditions which requires a decision whether to terminate waste disposal activities in any Underground HWDU, the Permittees shall provide the Secretary with the same report provided to the WIPP Operations Manager within seven calendar days of its issuance, as specified in Permit Attachment A2, Section A2-5b(2)(a), “Description of the Geomechanical Monitoring System”. The Permittees shall post a

link to the adverse condition notice transmittal letter on the WIPP Home Page and inform those on the e-mail notification list as specified in Permit Section 1.11.

4.6.2. Repository Volatile Organic Compound Monitoring

4.6.2.1. Implementation of Repository VOC Monitoring

The Permittees shall implement repository VOC monitoring as specified in Permit Attachment N (Volatile Organic Compound Monitoring Plan) and as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.602 and §264.601(c)). The Permittees shall implement repository VOC monitoring until the certified closure of all Underground HWDUs.

4.6.2.2. Reporting Requirements

The Permittees shall report to the Secretary semi-annually in April and October the data and analysis of the VOC Monitoring Plan.

4.6.2.3. Notification Requirements

The Permittees shall notify the Secretary in writing, within seven calendar days of obtaining validated analytical results, whenever the concentration of any VOC specified in Table 4.4.1 exceeds the concentration of concern specified in Table 4.6.2.3 below.

The Permittees shall notify the Secretary in writing, within seven calendar days of obtaining validated analytical results, whenever the running annual average concentration (calculated after each sampling event) for any VOC specified in Table 4.4.1 exceeds the concentration of concern specified in Table 4.6.2.3 below.

The Permittees shall post a link to any exceedance notice transmittal letter on the WIPP Home Page and inform those on the e-mail notification list as specified in Permit Section 1.11.

<b>Table 4.6.2.3 - VOC Concentrations of Concern</b>		
<b>Compound</b>	<b>Drift E-300 Concentration</b>	
	<b>ug/m3</b>	<b>ppbv</b>
Carbon Tetrachloride	6040	960
Chlorobenzene	1015	220
Chloroform	890	180
1,1-Dichloroethylene	410	100

1,2-Dichloroethane	175	45
Methylene Chloride	6700	1930
1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane	350	50
Toluene	715	190
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	3200	590

4.6.2.4. Remedial Action

If the running annual average concentration for a VOC specified in Table 4.4.1 exceeds the concentration of concern specified in Table 4.6.2.3, the Permittees shall cease disposal in the active CH disposal room and install ventilation barriers as specified in Permit Section 4.5.3.3.

If the running annual average concentration for a VOC specified in Table 4.4.1 exceeds the concentration of concern specified in Table 4.6.2.3 for six consecutive months, the Permittees shall close the affected Underground HWDU as specified in Permit Section 4.9.1.

For any remedial action taken under this Permit Section, the Permittees shall submit to the Secretary written quarterly status reports, beginning 30 calendar days after the Permittees submit the initial notification in Permit Section 4.6.2.3 which resulted in the remedial action. The quarterly status report shall analyze the cause of exceedance, describe the implementation and results of the remedial action, and describe measures taken to prevent future exceedances. The Permittees shall submit such reports until the Secretary determines the remedial action has been completed in accordance with all applicable requirements of this Permit.

4.6.3. Disposal Room Volatile Organic Compound Monitoring

4.6.3.1. Implementation of Disposal Room VOC Monitoring

The Permittees shall implement disposal room VOC monitoring as specified in Permit Attachment N and as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.602 and §264.601(c)).

4.6.3.2. Notification Requirements

The Permittees shall notify the Secretary in writing, within seven calendar days of obtaining validated analytical results, whenever the concentration of any VOC specified in Table 4.4.1 in any closed room in an active panel or in the immediately adjacent closed room exceeds the action

levels specified in Table 4.6.3.2 below. The Permittees shall post a link to the exceedance notice transmittal letter on the WIPP Home Page and inform those on the e-mail notification list as specified in Permit Section 1.11.

<b>Table 4.6.3.2 - Action Levels for Disposal Room Monitoring</b>		
<b>Compound</b>	<b>50% Action Level for VOC Constituents of Concern in Any Closed Room, ppmv</b>	<b>95% Action Level for VOC Constituents of Concern in Active Open or Immediately Adjacent Closed Room, ppmv</b>
Carbon Tetrachloride	4,813	9,145
Chlorobenzene	6,500	12,350
Chloroform	4,965	9,433
1,1-Dichloroethylene	2,745	5,215
1,2-Dichloroethane	1,200	2,280
Methylene Chloride	50,000	95,000
1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane	1,480	2,812
Toluene	5,500	10,450
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	16,850	32,015

#### 4.6.3.3. Remedial Action

Upon receiving validated analytical results that indicate one or more of the VOCs specified in Table 4.4.1 in any of the closed rooms in an active panel has reached the “50% Action Level” in Table 4.6.3.2, the sampling frequency for such closed rooms will increase to once per week. The once per week sampling will continue either until the concentrations in the closed room(s) fall below the “50% Action Level” in Table 4.6.3.2, or until closure of Room 1 of the panel, whichever occurs first. If one or more of the VOCs in Table 4.4.1 in the active open room or immediately adjacent closed room reaches the “95% Action Level” in Table 4.6.3.2, another sample will be taken to confirm the existence of such a condition. If the second sample confirms that one or more of VOCs in the immediately adjacent closed room have reached the “95% Action Level” in Table 4.6.3.2, the active open room will be abandoned, ventilation barriers will be installed as specified in Permit Section 4.5.3.3, waste emplacement will proceed in the next open room, and monitoring of the

subject closed room will continue at a frequency of once per week until commencement of panel closure.

#### 4.6.4. Mine Ventilation Rate Monitoring

##### 4.6.4.1. Implementation of Mine Ventilation Rate Monitoring Plan

The Permittees shall implement the Mine Ventilation Rate Monitoring Plan specified in Permit Attachment O (WIPP Mine Ventilation Rate Monitoring Plan) until the certified closure of all Underground HWDUs and as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.602 and §264.601(c)).

##### 4.6.4.2. Reporting Requirements

The Permittees shall report to the Secretary annually in October the results of the data and analysis of the Mine Ventilation Rate Monitoring Plan.

##### 4.6.4.3. Notification Requirements

The Permittees shall calculate the running annual average mine ventilation exhaust rate on a monthly basis. In addition, the Permittees shall evaluate compliance with the minimum active room ventilation rate specified in Permit Section 4.5.3.2 on a monthly basis. The Permittees shall report to the Secretary in the annual report specified in Permit Section 4.6.4.2 whenever the evaluation of the mine ventilation monitoring program data identifies that the ventilation rates specified in the Permit Section 4.5.3.2 have not been achieved.

#### 4.6.5. Hydrogen and Methane Monitoring

##### 4.6.5.1. Implementation of Hydrogen and Methane Monitoring

The Permittees shall implement the Hydrogen and Methane Monitoring Plan specified in Permit Attachment N1 (Hydrogen and Methane Monitoring Plan).

##### 4.6.5.2. Reporting Requirements

The Permittees shall report to the Secretary semi-annually in April and October the data and analysis of the Hydrogen and Methane Monitoring Plan.

4.6.5.3. Notification Requirements

The Permittees shall notify the Secretary in writing, within seven calendar days of obtaining validated analytical results, whenever the concentration of hydrogen or methane in a filled panel exceeds the action levels specified in Table 4.6.5.3 below.

The Permittees shall post a link to the notification letter on the WIPP Home Page and inform those on the e-mail notification list as specified in Permit Section 1.11.

<b>Compound</b>	<b>Action Level 1</b>	<b>Action Level 2</b>
Hydrogen	4,000 ppm	8,000 ppm
Methane	5,000 ppm	10,000 ppm

4.6.5.4. Remedial Action

Upon receiving validated analytical results that indicate at least one compound exceeded “Action Level 1” in Table 4.6.5.3, the sampling frequency in that filled panel will increase to once per week. Upon receiving validated analytical results that indicate at least one compound exceeded “Action Level 2” in Table 4.6.5.3 in two consecutive weekly samples, the Permittees shall install in that panel the explosion-isolation wall specified in Permit Attachment G1.

4.6.5.5. Sampling Line Loss

The Permittees shall notify the Secretary in writing within seven calendar days of the discovery of loss of sampling line(s). The Permittees shall evaluate any loss of sampling lines as described in Permit Attachment N1, Section N1-5b, “Sample Tubing”, and shall notify the Secretary in writing within seven calendar days the results of such evaluation. The Permittees shall also post a link to such notification letters on the WIPP Home Page and inform those on the e-mail notification list as specified in Permit Section 1.11

4.7. INSPECTION SCHEDULES AND PROCEDURES

The Permittees shall inspect the Underground HWDUs at least weekly, as specified in Permit Attachment E (Inspection Schedule, Process and Forms), Tables E-1 and E-1a, and as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.15). The Permittees shall perform these inspections to detect malfunctions, signs of deterioration, operator errors, discharges, or any other factors which

have caused or may cause a release of hazardous wastes or hazardous waste constituents to the environment or which may compromise the ability of any Underground HWDU to comply with the environmental performance standards in 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.601).

#### 4.8. RECORDKEEPING

##### 4.8.1. Underground HWDU Location Map

The Permittees shall maintain, in the operating record, a map containing the exact location and dimensions of each Underground HWDU with respect to permanently surveyed benchmarks.

##### 4.8.2. Disposal Waste Type and Location

The Permittees shall maintain, in the operating record, a record identifying the types and quantities of TRU mixed waste in each Underground HWDU and the disposal location of each container or container assembly (e.g., a 7-pack of standard 55-gallons drums) within each Underground HWDU, using the following fields from the WWIS data dictionary:

1. Panel Number
2. Room Number or Drift Number
3. Row Number (for CH TRU mixed waste) or Borehole Number (for RH TRU mixed waste)
4. Column Number (for CH TRU mixed waste)
5. Column Height (for CH TRU mixed waste)
6. Container Type Code
7. Container Identification Number
8. Manifest Document Number
9. Disposal Date

The Permittees shall also maintain, in the operating record, a map or diagram depicting the location and quantity of each waste. The map or diagram shall include a cross reference to specific manifest document numbers, if the waste was accompanied by a manifest, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.73(b)(2)).

##### 4.8.3. Ventilation Rates

The Permittees shall maintain, in the operating record, a record identifying any non-conformance to the ventilation rates specified in Permit Section 4.5.3.2.

## PERMIT ATTACHMENTS

Permit Attachment A1 (as modified from WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Amended Renewal Application, “Container Storage” – Appendix M1).

Permit Attachment A2 (as modified from WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Amended Renewal Application, “Geologic Repository” – Appendix M2).

Permit Attachment A3 (as modified from WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Amended Renewal Application, “Underground Facilities Typical Disposal Panel” – Drawing Number 51-W-214-W, Appendix M3).

Permit Attachment A4 (as modified from WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Amended Renewal Application, “Traffic Patterns” – Chapter G).

Permit Attachment E (as modified from WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Amended Renewal Application, “Inspection Schedule, Process and Forms” - Chapter D).

Permit Attachment G1 (as modified from WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Amended Renewal Application, “Detailed Design Report for an Operation Phase Panel Closure System” – Appendix II).

Permit Attachment N (as modified from WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Amended Renewal Application, “Volatile Organic Compound Monitoring Plan” - Chapter N).

Permit Attachment N1 (as modified from WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Amended Renewal Application, “Hydrogen and Methane Monitoring Plan” - Appendix N1)

Permit Attachment O (as modified from WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Amended Renewal Application, “WIPP Mine Ventilation Rate Monitoring Plan” - Chapter Q).





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## **PART 5 - GROUNDWATER DETECTION MONITORING**

### **5.1. DETECTION MONITORING PROGRAM**

This Part specifies the requirements of the Detection Monitoring Program (**DMP**). The DMP shall establish background groundwater quality and monitor indicator parameters and waste constituents that provide a reliable indication of the presence of hazardous constituents in the groundwater, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §§264.97 and 264.98).

The DMP consists of six Detection Monitoring Wells (**DMWs**) located hydraulically upgradient and at the downgradient point of compliance of the WIPP Underground Hazardous Waste Disposal Units (**Underground HWDUs**). The DMWs are screened in the Culebra Member of the Rustler Formation.

A DMP is necessary to demonstrate compliance with the environmental performance standard for the Underground HWDUs, as specified in 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.601(a)). This environmental performance standard requires prevention of any releases that may have adverse effects on human health or the environment due to migration of waste constituents in the groundwater or subsurface environment.

### **5.2. IDENTIFICATION OF POINT OF COMPLIANCE**

The point of compliance is the vertical surface located perpendicular to the groundwater flow direction at the DMWs that extends to the Culebra Member of the Rustler Formation [20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §§264.95, 264.601, and 264.602)]. The Permittees shall conduct the DMP at DMWs specified in Table 5.3.1, and as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §§264.98 and 264.601).

### **5.3. WELL LOCATION, MAINTENANCE, AND PLUGGING AND ABANDONING**

The Permittees shall conduct the DMP according to the requirements of this Permit and 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264 Subpart F) for the DMWs in the Culebra Member of the Rustler Formation.

The Permittees shall maintain the DMP in compliance with 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.97), and as specified below:

#### **5.3.1. Well Locations**

The Permittees shall maintain the DMWs at the locations specified on the map in Figure L-6 of Permit Attachment L (WIPP Groundwater Detection Monitoring Program Plan), as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.97(a) and §264.98(b)), and as specified in Table 5.3.1 below:

<b>Well Name</b>	<b>State Plane Coordinates</b>	<b>Top of Casing Elevation (ft amsl)</b>	<b>Screen Interval Depth (ft below ground surface)</b>	<b>Sampled Unit</b>
WQSP-1	663595E, 503784N	3419.2	702 - 727	Culebra
WQSP-2	667580E, 505537N	3463.9	811 - 836	Culebra
WQSP-3	670573E, 503991N	3480.1	844 - 869	Culebra
WQSP-4	670645E, 494986N	3433.1	764 - 789	Culebra
WQSP-5	667165E, 493665N	3384.4	646 - 671	Culebra
WQSP-6	663681E, 494948N	3364.7	581 - 606	Culebra

5.3.2. Well Maintenance

The Permittees shall maintain the DMWs specified in Table 5.3.1 and in Permit Attachment L, Section L-3b and Figures L-7 through L-12, and as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.97(c) and §264.98(b)).

5.3.3. Well Plugging and Abandoning

The Permittees may propose to plug and abandon a DMW by submitting a permit modification request to the Secretary in compliance with 20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §270.42). The Permittees shall plug and abandon any DMW in a manner which eliminates physical hazards, prevents groundwater contamination, conserves hydrostatic head, and prevents intermixing of subsurface water. The Permittees shall submit a report to the Secretary which summarizes and certifies DMW plugging and abandoning methods within 90 calendar days from the date a DMW is removed from the DMP.

5.4. DETECTION MONITORING PROGRAM PARAMETERS AND CONSTITUENTS

The Permittees shall conduct the DMP at the DMWs as specified in Table 5.3.1 for the indicator parameters listed in Table 5.4.a and the hazardous constituents listed in Table 5.4.b below and as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.98(a)):

pH	Specific conductance
Total organic carbon (TOC)	
Total dissolved solids (TDS)	Total suspended solids (TSS)
Specific Gravity	Calcium
Magnesium	Potassium
Chloride	

<b>Table 5.4.b – Hazardous Constituents</b>	
Chloroform	1,2-dichloroethane
Carbon tetrachloride	Chlorobenzene
1,1-dichloroethylene	1,1-dichloroethane
Methylene chloride	1,1,2,2-tetrachloroethane
Toluene	1,1,1-trichloroethane
Cresols	1,4-dichlorobenzene
1,2-dichlorobenzene	trans-1,2-dichloroethylene
2,4-dinitrophenol	2,4-dinitrotoluene
Hexachloroethane	Hexachlorobenzene
Isobutanol	Methyl ethyl ketone
	Pentachlorophenol
Pyridine	Tetrachloroethylene
1,1,2-Trichloroethane	Trichloroethylene
Trichlorofluoromethane	Xylenes
Nitrobenzene	Vinyl chloride
Arsenic	Barium
Cadmium	Chromium
Lead	Mercury
Selenium	Silver
Antimony	Beryllium
Nickel	Thallium
Vanadium	

## 5.5. SAMPLING AND ANALYSIS PROCEDURES

Except as provided in Permit Section 5.6, the Permittees shall use the following techniques and procedures to obtain and analyze DMP samples from the DMWs specified in Table 5.3.1, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.97(d) and (e)):

### 5.5.1. Sample Collection Procedures

The Permittees shall collect one DMP sample and one DMP sample duplicate annually from each DMW using the procedures specified in Permit Attachment L, Section L-4c, as

required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §§264.97(g)(2), 264.98(d), and 264.601(a)).

**5.5.2. Sample Preservation and Shipment Procedures**

The Permittees shall preserve and ship DMP samples using the procedures specified in Permit Attachment L, Section L-4c(2)(iv).

**5.5.3. Analytical Procedures**

The Permittees shall analyze DMP samples using the procedures specified in Permit Attachment L, Section L-4c(3).

**5.5.4. Chain of Custody Procedures**

The Permittees shall track and control DMP samples using the chain of custody procedures specified in Permit Attachment L, Section L-4c(2)(v).

**5.6. BACKGROUND GROUNDWATER QUALITY**

For those hazardous constituents listed in Table 5.4.b, and for all substances listed in 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264 Appendix IX), the background groundwater quality values specified in Table 5.6 are established as specified in 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §§264.97(g) and 264.98(d)).

<b>Table 5.6 – WQSP Well Background Values</b>						
<b>Hazardous Constituent</b>	<b>WQSP-1</b>	<b>WQSP-2</b>	<b>WQSP-3</b>	<b>WQSP-4</b>	<b>WQSP-5</b>	<b>WQSP-6</b>
Chloroform	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L
1,2-dichloroethane	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L
Carbon tetrachloride	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L
Chlorobenzene	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L
1,1-dichloroethylene	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L
1,1-dichloroethane	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L
Methylene chloride	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L
1,1,2,2-tetrachloroethane	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L
Toluene	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L
1,1,1-trichloroethane	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L
Cresols	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L
1,4-dichlorobenzene	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L
1,2-dichlorobenzene	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L
trans-1,2-dichloroethylene	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L

**Table 5.6 – WQSP Well Background Values**

<b>Hazardous Constituent</b>	<b>WQSP-1</b>	<b>WQSP-2</b>	<b>WQSP-3</b>	<b>WQSP-4</b>	<b>WQSP-5</b>	<b>WQSP-6</b>
2,4-dinitrophenol	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L
2,4-dinitrotoluene	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L
Hexachloroethane	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L
Hexachlorobenzene	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L
Isobutanol	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L
Methyl ethyl ketone	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L
Pentachlorophenol	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L
Pyridine	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L
Tetrachloroethylene	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L
1,1,2-Trichloroethane	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L
Trichloroethylene	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L
Trichlorofluoromethane	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L
Xylenes	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L
Nitrobenzene	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L	5.00 µg/L
Vinyl chloride	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L	1.00 µg/L
Arsenic	0.10 mg/L	0.06 mg/L	0.21 mg/L	0.50 mg/L	0.50 mg/L	0.50 mg/L
Barium	1.00 mg/L	1.00 mg/L	1.00 mg/L	1.00 mg/L	1.00 mg/L	1.00 mg/L
Cadmium	0.20 mg/L	0.50 mg/L	0.50 mg/L	0.50 mg/L	0.05 mg/L	0.05 mg/L
Chromium	0.50 mg/L	0.50 mg/L	2.00 mg/L	2.00 mg/L	0.50 mg/L	0.50 mg/L
Lead	0.11 mg/L	0.17 mg/L	0.80 mg/L	0.53 mg/L	0.05 mg/L	0.15 mg/L
Mercury	.002 mg/L	.002 mg/L	.002 mg/L	.002 mg/L	.002 mg/L	.002 mg/L
Selenium	0.15 mg/L	0.15 mg/L	2.00 mg/L	2.00 mg/L	0.10 mg/L	0.10 mg/L
Silver	0.50 mg/L	0.50 mg/L	0.31 mg/L	0.52 mg/L	0.50 mg/L	0.50 mg/L
Antimony	0.33 mg/L	0.50 mg/L	1.00 mg/L	0.80 mg/L	0.07 mg/L	0.14 mg/L
Beryllium	0.02 mg/L	1.00 mg/L	0.10 mg/L	0.25 mg/L	0.02 mg/L	0.02 mg/L
Nickel	0.50 mg/L	0.50 mg/L	5.00 mg/L	5.00 mg/L	0.10 mg/L	0.50 mg/L
Thallium	1.00 mg/L	1.00 mg/L	5.80 mg/L	1.00 mg/L	0.21 mg/L	0.56 mg/L
Vanadium	0.10 mg/L	0.10 mg/L	5.00 mg/L	5.00 mg/L	2.70 mg/L	0.10 mg/L



## 5.7. GROUNDWATER SURFACE ELEVATION DETERMINATION

### 5.7.1. DMP Groundwater Surface Elevation Determination

The Permittees shall determine the groundwater surface elevation at each DMW specified in Table 5.3.1 each time the groundwater is sampled in compliance with Permit Sections 5.5.1 and 5.9.2, using the methods specified in Permit Attachment L, Section L-4c(1), and as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.97(f)).

### 5.7.2. Regional Groundwater Surface Elevation Determination

The Permittees shall determine the groundwater surface elevation on a monthly basis for each well completed in the Culebra Member of the Rustler Formation in the WIPP Groundwater Level Monitoring Program, as specified in Permit Attachment L, Section L-4c(1).

## 5.8. GROUNDWATER FLOW DETERMINATION

The Permittees shall determine the groundwater flow rate and direction in the Culebra Member of the Rustler Formation at least annually, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.98(e)). The Permittees shall use groundwater surface elevation data specified in Permit Section 5.7 to determine groundwater flow.

## 5.9. DATA EVALUATION

### 5.9.1. Statistical Procedures

The Permittees shall use the statistical analysis methods specified in Permit Attachment L, Section L-4e, to evaluate DMP data for each hazardous constituent as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.97(h)). These statistical analysis methods shall comply with the appropriate performance standards specified in 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.97(i)).

### 5.9.2. Groundwater Quality Determination

The Permittees shall sample DMWs as specified in Permit Section 5.5.1 and conduct statistical tests to determine whether there is statistically significant evidence of contamination for any hazardous constituent specified in Table 5.4.b during the active life of the WIPP facility and post-closure care period as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.90(c)).

### 5.9.3. Data Evaluation

The Permittees shall determine whether there is statistically significant evidence of contamination for any hazardous constituent identified in Table 5.4.b each time the DMWs are sampled as specified in Permit Section 5.9.2. In determining whether statistically significant evidence of contamination exists, the Permittees shall compare the groundwater

quality at each DMW specified in Table 5.3.1 to the background groundwater quality determined pursuant to Permit Section 5.6, in compliance with the statistical procedures specified in Permit Section 5.9.1, and as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.98(f)).

#### 5.9.4. Data Evaluation Timeframe

The Permittees shall perform the data evaluations specified in Permit Section 5.9.3 within 120 calendar days after completion of DMP sampling, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.98(f)(2)).

### 5.10. RECORDKEEPING AND REPORTING

#### 5.10.1. Operating Record Requirements

The Permittees shall enter all DMP monitoring, testing, and analytical data in the operating record as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.73(b)(6)). The Permittees shall enter these data, as measured and in a form appropriate for the determination of statistically significant evidence of contamination, into the operating record as specified in Permit Section 5.9.1 and as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.98(c)).

#### 5.10.2. Submittal of Results

##### 5.10.2.1. Data Evaluation Results

The Permittees shall submit to the Secretary the analytical results required by Permit Sections 5.5 and 5.9.2, and the results of the statistical analyses required by Permit Section 5.9.3, in the Annual Culebra Groundwater Report by November 30 of each year as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.97(j)).

##### 5.10.2.2. Groundwater Surface Elevation Results

The Permittees shall submit to the Secretary groundwater surface elevation data specified in Permit Section 5.7. This submittal shall include both groundwater surface elevations calculated from field measurements and fresh-water head elevations calculated as specified in Permit Attachment L, Section L-4c(1). Water level data shall be reported semiannually by May 31 and November 30. The November water level data report shall be combined with the Annual Culebra Groundwater Report specified in Permit Part 5.10.2.1.

##### 5.10.2.3. Groundwater Flow Results

The Permittees shall submit to the Secretary an evaluation of the groundwater flow data (to include annotated hydrographs) specified in

Permit Section [5.8](#) in the Annual Culebra Groundwater Report by November 30 of each calendar year.

### 5.10.3. Determination of Contamination

If the Permittees determine, pursuant to Permit Section [5.9](#) and 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.98(g)), that there is statistically significant evidence of contamination for any hazardous constituent specified in Table [5.4.b](#), the Permittees shall comply with the following:

#### 5.10.3.1. Notification

The Permittees shall notify the Secretary in writing within seven calendar days, indicating what hazardous constituents have shown statistically significant evidence of contamination, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.98(g)(1)).

#### 5.10.3.2. Appendix IX Sampling

The Permittees shall immediately, but no later than one month, sample the groundwater in all DMWs specified in Table [5.3.1](#) for which there was statistically significant evidence of contamination. The remaining DMWs shall be sampled within two months after statistically significant evidence of contamination is found in any DMW. All DMWs shall be sampled to determine the concentration of all substances identified in 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264 Appendix IX), as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.98(g)(2)).

#### 5.10.3.3. Verification Sampling

As specified by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.98(g)(3)), for any substances found in the initial analysis pursuant to Permit Section [5.10.3.2](#), the Permittees may resample within one month and repeat the analysis for those compounds detected. If the results of the second analysis confirm the initial analysis, these substances shall form the basis for compliance monitoring specified in Permit Section [5.10.3.4](#). If the Permittees do not resample, the substances found during the initial analysis specified in Permit Section [5.10.3.2](#) shall form the basis for compliance monitoring specified in Permit Section [5.10.3.4](#).

#### 5.10.3.4. Submittal of Compliance Monitoring Program

The Permittees shall, within 90 calendar days, submit to the Secretary an application for a permit modification to establish a compliance monitoring program meeting the requirements of 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.99). The application shall include the

following information, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.98(g)(4)):

- i. An identification of the concentration of any hazardous constituent specified in Table 5.4.b or any Appendix IX substance detected in the ground water at each DMW at the compliance point.
- ii. Any proposed changes to the DMP necessary to meet the compliance monitoring requirements as specified in 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.99).
- iii. Any proposed additions or changes to the monitoring frequency, sampling and analysis procedures or methods, or statistical methods used necessary to meet the compliance monitoring requirements as specified in 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.99).
- iv. For each hazardous constituent detected at the compliance point, a proposed concentration limit or a notice of intent to seek an alternate concentration limit for a hazardous constituent required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.94).

#### 5.10.3.5. Submittal of Additional Information

The Permittees shall, within 180 calendar days, submit to the Secretary the following information, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.98(g)(5)):

- i. All data necessary to justify an alternate concentration limit proposed in compliance with Permit Section 5.10.3.4.iv.
- ii. An engineering feasibility plan for corrective action required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.100), if necessary.

#### 5.10.4. Demonstration of Outside Contamination

If the Permittees determine, pursuant to Permit Section 5.9, that there is a statistically significant difference for hazardous constituents specified in Table 5.4.b at any DMW at the compliance point, they may demonstrate that a source other than a regulated unit caused the increase or that the detection is an artifact caused by an error in sampling, analysis, statistical evaluation, or natural variation in the ground water. In such cases, the Permittees shall comply with the following:

5.10.4.1. Notification

The Permittees shall notify the Secretary in writing within seven calendar days of determining statistically significant evidence of contamination at the compliance point that they intend to make a demonstration of outside contamination, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.98(g)(6)(i)).

5.10.4.2. Submittal of Demonstration

The Permittees shall, within 90 calendar days, submit a report to the Secretary which demonstrates that a source other than a regulated unit caused the contamination, or that the contamination resulted from error in sampling, analysis, or evaluation, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.98(g)(6)(ii)).

5.10.4.3. Submittal of Modification Request

The Permittees shall, within 90 calendar days, submit to the Secretary an application for a permit modification to make any appropriate changes to the DMP, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.98(g)(6)(iii)).

5.10.4.4. Continued Monitoring

The Permittees shall continue to monitor in compliance with the DMP, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.98(g)(6)(iv)).

5.11. REQUEST FOR PERMIT MODIFICATION

If the Permittees or the Secretary determines that the DMP no longer satisfies the requirements of 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264 Subpart F) and this Permit Part, the Permittees shall, within 90 calendar days of the determination, submit an application for a permit modification to make any appropriate changes to the program in compliance with 20.4.1.500 and .900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.98(h) and §270.42).

PERMIT ATTACHMENTS

Permit Attachment L (as modified from WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Amended Renewal Application, “WIPP Groundwater Detection Monitoring Program Plan” - Chapter L).



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## **PART 6 – CLOSURE REQUIREMENTS**

### 6.1. OVERVIEW

This Part specifies the closure requirements for the WIPP facility. The Permittees shall close the permitted Container Storage Units and Underground Hazardous Waste Disposal Units (**Underground HWDUs**) in accordance with the requirements in 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §§264.110 through 264.116 and §264.178), this Permit Part, and the procedures described in Permit Attachment G (Closure Plan).

### 6.2. PERFORMANCE STANDARD

The Permittees shall close the facility as specified in Permit Attachment G and as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.111).

### 6.3. AMENDMENT TO CLOSURE PLAN

The Permittees shall amend Permit Attachment G, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.112(c)), whenever necessary.

### 6.4. NOTIFICATION OF CLOSURE

The Permittees shall notify the Secretary in writing at least 60 calendar days prior to the date on which they expect to begin partial closure, i.e., closure of an Underground Hazardous Waste Disposal Unit (**Underground HWDU**), or final closure of the facility as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §§264.112(d) and 264.601). The Permittees shall post a link to the closure notice transmittal letter on the WIPP Home Page and inform those on the e-mail notification list as specified in Permit Section 1.11.

### 6.5. TIME ALLOWED FOR CLOSURE

#### 6.5.1. Partial Closure

Upon completion of disposal operations in an Underground HWDU, the Permittees shall complete partial closure activities as specified in Permit Attachment G, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.113).

#### 6.5.2. Final Facility Closure

After receiving the final volume of TRU mixed waste, the Permittees shall remove from the facility all non-mixed hazardous waste, dispose in the Underground HWDUs all TRU-mixed hazardous waste and derived waste, and complete closure activities as specified in Permit Attachment G and as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.113).

6.6. DISPOSAL OR DECONTAMINATION OF EQUIPMENT, STRUCTURES, AND SOILS

The Permittees shall decontaminate or dispose of all contaminated equipment, structures, and soils, as specified in Permit Attachment G and as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.114).

6.7. CERTIFICATION OF CLOSURE

Within 60 calendar days of completion of closure of each Underground HWDU, and within 60 calendar days of completion of final closure, the Permittees shall certify in writing to the Secretary that the Underground HWDUs and/or facility have been closed as specified in Permit Attachment G and as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §§264.115 and 264.601).

6.8. SURVEY PLAT

No later than the submission of the certification of closure of each Underground HWDU, the Permittees shall submit a survey plat detailing the location and dimensions of each Underground HWDU with respect to permanently surveyed benchmarks, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.116).

6.9. CLOSURE OF PERMITTED CONTAINER STORAGE UNITS

At closure of the WHB Unit and Parking Area Unit, the Permittees shall remove all hazardous waste and hazardous waste residues from the containment system, in accordance with the procedures in Permit Attachment G, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §§264.111 and 264.178).

6.10. CLOSURE OF PERMITTED DISPOSAL UNITS

6.10.1. Panel Closure

Upon completion of disposal in an Underground HWDU, the Permittees shall provide written notification to the Secretary stating the final volume of TRU mixed waste emplaced in the Underground HWDU. The Permittees shall also close the Underground HWDU as specified in Permit Attachment G and Permit Attachment G1 (Detailed Design Report for an Operation Phase Panel Closure System). The Permittees shall post a link to the final panel volume notice transmittal letter on the WIPP Home Page and inform those on the e-mail notification list as specified in Permit Section 1.11.

6.10.2. Repository Closure

Upon completion of disposal in the repository and closure of all Underground HWDUs, the Permittees shall close the repository as specified in Permit Attachment G and Permit Attachment G2 (Shaft Sealing System Compliance Submittal Design Report).

6.10.3. Repository Post-Closure

Upon completion of repository closure as specified in Permit Section 6.10.2, the Permittees shall comply with all post-closure requirements as specified in Permit Part 7, Post-Closure Care.

## PERMIT ATTACHMENTS

Permit Attachment G (as modified from WIPP RCRA Part B Permit Application, “Closure Plans, Post-Closure Plans, and Financial Requirements” - Chapter I).

Permit Attachment G1 (as modified from WIPP RCRA Part B Permit Application, “Detailed Design Report for an Operation Phase Panel Closure System” - Appendix I1).

Permit Attachment G2 (as modified from WIPP RCRA Part B Permit Application, “Shaft Sealing System Compliance Submittal Design Report” - Appendix I2).

## **PART 7 - POST-CLOSURE CARE PLAN**

### 7.1. OVERVIEW

This Part specifies the post-closure care requirements for the WIPP facility. Post-closure care requirements are applicable to Underground Hazardous Waste Disposal Units (**Underground HWDUs**) and include requirements for routine inspection and maintenance of the closed panel entry drifts, and air monitoring as required. Post-closure care requirements apply immediately after certification of closure of each Underground HWDU and continue for 30 years after final closure of the facility. Post-closure care requires active institutional controls including fencing and warning signs, inspections, maintenance, monitoring of ground water, and control and cleanup of releases.

### 7.2. UNIT IDENTIFICATION

The Permittees shall provide post-closure care for the closed Underground HWDUs (eight panels and two access drifts), and for the facility after final closure, as specified in Permit Attachment H (Post-Closure Plan) and as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.110(b)).

### 7.3. POST-CLOSURE PROCEDURES AND USE OF PROPERTY

The Permittees shall conduct post-closure care after completion of closure of each Underground HWDU identified in Permit Section 7.2 and shall continue post-closure care for thirty (30) years after the date of certification of final closure of the facility, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.117(a)(1)). The Permittees may request, at any time during the post-closure care period, a Permit modification to shorten the applicable post-closure care period. The Secretary may shorten the post-closure care period if the Secretary finds the reduced period is sufficient to protect human health and the environment, as provided by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.117(a)(2)(i)). The Secretary may extend the applicable post-closure care period if the Secretary finds an extension is necessary to protect human health and the environment, as provided by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.117(a)(2)(ii)).

#### 7.3.1. Post-Closure Plan

The Permittees shall implement the Post-Closure Plan in Permit Attachment H and Permit Attachment H1 (Active Institutional Controls During Post-closure), as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.117(d), §264.118(b) and §264.603).

#### 7.3.2. Post-Closure Care and Monitoring

##### 7.3.2.1. General Monitoring, Inspection, and Maintenance Requirements

The Permittees shall monitor and perform inspections of the Underground HWDU closures, and perform maintenance of the closed Underground HWDU access drifts after construction of each HWDU closure system, as specified in Permit Attachment A2 (Geologic Repository). The Permittees shall monitor and maintain the components, structures and equipment of

the waste containment systems at the facility as specified in Permit Attachments H and H1, and as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.117(a)(1)(ii)).

#### 7.3.2.2. Air Monitoring Requirements

The Permittees shall maintain ventilation and perform daily monitoring of the mine ventilation air downstream from closed Underground HWDUs at the beginning of days when work is to be performed downstream from the closed Underground HWDUs. The Permittees shall implement the Volatile Organic Compound Monitoring Plan in Permit Attachment N (Volatile Organic Compound Monitoring Plan) during the post-closure care period for closed Underground HWDUs, until six (6) months after the certification of closure of all Underground HWDUs, as specified in Permit Section 4.6.2. [20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.117(a), §264.601 and §264.603)]

#### 7.3.2.3. Detection Monitoring Program

The Permittees shall maintain and implement the Detection Monitoring Program during the post-closure care period as specified in Part 5 and Permit Attachment L (WIPP Ground-water Detection Monitoring Program Plan), and as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264 Subpart F and §264.117(a)(1)).

#### 7.3.3. Security

The Permittees shall comply with the applicable post-closure security requirements as specified in Permit Attachments H and H1 and as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.117(b)(2)).

#### 7.3.4. Post-Closure Disturbance

The Permittees shall not allow any use of the facility surface area above the Underground HWDUs designated in Permit Section 7.2 which could disturb the integrity of the shaft sealing systems or any components of the waste containment system, or the function of the facility monitoring systems during the post-closure care period, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.117(c)), except as allowed under 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.117(c)(1) or (2)).

### 7.4. NOTICES AND CERTIFICATION

#### 7.4.1. Disposal Unit Records

No later than 60 calendar days after certification of closure of each Underground HWDU, the Permittees shall submit to the Secretary and the local zoning authority, or the authority with jurisdiction over local land use, a record of the type, location, and quantity of TRU

mixed waste disposed in each Underground HWDU, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.119(a)).

#### 7.4.2. Deed Notice

Within 60 calendar days of certification of closure of the first Underground HWDU and within 60 calendar days of certification of the last Underground HWDU, the Permittees shall comply with the following conditions, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.119(b)):

##### 7.4.2.1. Deed Recordation

The Permittees shall record, in accordance with New Mexico law, a notation on the deed to the facility property, or on some other instrument that is normally examined during a title search, that will in perpetuity notify any potential purchaser of the property that:

- (i) The land has been used to manage TRU mixed waste; and
- (ii) Its use is restricted under 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264 Subpart G) regulations; and
- (iii) The survey plat and record of the type, location, and quantity of TRU mixed waste disposed in each Underground HWDU have been filed with the Secretary and the local zoning authority or the authority with jurisdiction over local land use.

##### 7.4.2.2. Certification

The Permittees shall submit a certification to the Secretary, signed by the Permittees, stating the Permittees have recorded the notation specified in Permit Section 7.4.2.1, including a copy of the document(s) in which the notation has been placed, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.119(b)).

#### 7.4.3. Removal of Wastes or Contaminated Soils

If the Permittees, or any subsequent owner or operator of the land upon which the Underground HWDUs are located, wishes to remove TRU mixed wastes, TRU mixed waste residues, or contaminated soils, they shall request a modification to this permit in accordance with the applicable requirements in 20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR Part 270) and 4.1.901. The Permittees or any subsequent owner or operator of the land shall demonstrate the removal of TRU mixed wastes will satisfy the criteria of 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.117(c) and §264.119(c)).

#### 7.4.4. Completion of Post-Closure Care

No later than 60 calendar days after completion of the post-closure care period for each Underground HWDU, the Permittees shall submit to the Secretary, by registered mail, a certification that the post-closure care for the Underground HWDU was performed in accordance with the specifications in the approved Post-Closure Plan, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.120). The Permittees and an independent New Mexico registered professional engineer shall sign the certification. The Permittees shall provide to the Secretary upon request the documentation supporting the professional engineer's certification, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.145(i) and §264.120).

### 7.5. POST-CLOSURE PERMIT MODIFICATIONS

The Permittees shall submit a written notification of or request for a permit modification to amend the approved Post-Closure Plan at any time during the active life of the facility or during the post-closure care period, as required by 20.4.1.500, .900, and .901 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §§264.118(d) and 270). The Permittees shall include a copy of the proposed amended Post-Closure Plan for approval by the Secretary, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.118(d)).

#### 7.5.1. Changes Requiring a Permit Modification

Changes to the approved Post-Closure Plan which require a permit modification include, but are not limited to, the following circumstances specified in 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.118(d)(2)):

##### 7.5.1.1. Operating Plans

Whenever changes in operating plans or facility design affect the approved Post-Closure Plan; or

##### 7.5.1.2. Timing of Closure

Whenever there is a change in the expected year of final closure; or

##### 7.5.1.3. Other Events

Whenever other events occur during the active life of the facility, including partial or final closure, that affect the approved Post-Closure Plan.

#### 7.5.2. Timing of Permit Modification

The Permittees shall submit a written request for a permit modification at least 60 calendar days prior to the proposed change in facility design or operation, or no later than 60 calendar



days after an unexpected event has occurred which affects the Post-Closure Plan, as required by 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating §264.118(d)(3)).

PERMIT ATTACHMENTS

Permit Attachment A2 (as modified from WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Amended Renewal Application, “Geologic Repository” - Appendix M2).

Permit Attachment H (as modified from WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Amended Renewal Application, “Post-Closure Plan” - Chapter J).

Permit Attachment H1 (as modified from WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Amended Renewal Application, “Active Institutional Controls During Post-Closure” - Appendix J1).

Permit Attachment L (as modified from WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Amended Renewal Application, “WIPP Ground-water Detection Monitoring Program Plan” – Chapter L).

Permit Attachment N (as modified from WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Amended Renewal Application, “Volatile Organic Compound Monitoring Plan” - Chapter N)

## **PART 8 - CORRECTIVE ACTION FOR SWMUS AND AOCS**

### 8.1. APPLICABILITY

The conditions of this Part apply to all Solid Waste Management Units (**SWMUs**) and Areas of Concern (**AOCS**) identified in Permit Attachment K (Solid Waste Management Unit and Area of Concern Tables), any newly identified SWMUs and AOCS identified after the issuance of this Permit, and any releases of hazardous waste or hazardous constituents from SWMUs and AOCS.

### 8.2. CONTAMINATION BEYOND THE FACILITY BOUNDARY

The Permittees shall implement corrective action beyond the Facility boundary where necessary to protect human health and the environment, unless the Permittees demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Secretary that, despite the Permittees' best efforts, as determined by the Secretary, the Permittees were unable to obtain the necessary permission to undertake such actions. The Permittees are not relieved of all responsibility to cleanup a release that has migrated beyond the Facility boundary where off-site access is denied. On-site measures to address such releases will be determined on a case-by-case basis. [20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.101(c))]

### 8.3. CORRECTIVE ACTION ALREADY COMPLETED

Any corrective action tasks required under this Part that the Permittees have already completed may be used to meet the requirements of this Part, in whole or in part, as determined by the Secretary. The Permittees may submit prior work to meet these requirements for the Secretary's approval.

### 8.4. NOTIFICATION AND ASSESSMENT FOR NEWLY IDENTIFIED SWMUS AND AOCS

The Permittees shall notify the Secretary in writing, within 15 calendar days of discovery, of any newly discovered SWMU or AOC. The notification shall include, at a minimum, the location of the newly discovered SWMU or AOC and all available information pertaining to the site history and nature of the release (e.g., media affected, hazardous waste or hazardous constituents released, magnitude of release). The Secretary may require the Permittees to submit a Release Assessment Report in accordance with Permit Section 8.6.1 to determine the status of the newly discovered SWMU or AOC. Alternatively, the Secretary may require an Investigation Work Plan for the newly discovered SWMU or AOC in accordance with Permit Section 8.8.1 without requiring a Release Assessment. If the Secretary determines that an Investigation Work Plan for a newly discovered SWMU or AOC is required, the Permittees shall modify this Permit to add the SWMU or AOC to Permit Attachment K in accordance with 20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §270.42).

### 8.5. NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR NEWLY DISCOVERED RELEASES FROM SWMUS OR AOCS

The Permittees shall notify the Secretary in writing, within 15 calendar days of discovery, of any newly discovered release(s) of hazardous waste or hazardous constituents from a SWMU or AOC that explains the location and circumstances of the release.

If the Secretary determines that investigation of the release is needed, the Permittees shall prepare and submit an Investigation Work Plan in accordance with Permit Section 8.8.1.

## 8.6. RELEASE ASSESSMENT

### 8.6.1. Release Assessment Report

If required by the Secretary, the Permittees shall submit a Release Assessment Report for newly discovered SWMUs or AOCs under this Permit Section. Any revisions to the Release Assessment Report required by the Secretary shall be submitted within 30 calendar days of receipt of the Secretary's comments on the Release Assessment Report.

The Release Assessment Report shall, at a minimum, include the following information:

1. Location of unit(s) on a topographic map of appropriate scale, as required under 20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §270.14(b)(19));
2. Designation of type and function of unit(s);
3. General dimensions, capacities and structural description of unit(s) (supply any available plans/drawings);
4. Dates that the unit(s) was operated;
5. All available site history information;
6. Specifications of all wastes that have been managed at/in the unit(s) to the extent available. Include any available data on hazardous waste or hazardous constituents in the wastes; and
7. All available information pertaining to any release of hazardous waste or hazardous constituents from such unit(s) (to include ground water data, soil analyses, air, and surface water data).

### 8.6.2. Requirement to Proceed

The Secretary will review the Release Assessment Report to determine whether any further investigative action is required. The Secretary will notify the Permittees of the need for confirmatory sampling if necessary, or notify the Permittees that an Investigation Work Plan is required in accordance with the requirements in Permit Section 8.8.1. The Secretary will notify the Permittees of any corrective action complete decision.

## 8.7. INTERIM MEASURES

### 8.7.1. Secretary-Initiated Interim Measures

Upon written notification by the Secretary, the Permittees shall prepare and submit an Interim Measures (**IM**) Work Plan at any SWMU or AOC where the Secretary determines

that interim measures are necessary to minimize or prevent the migration of hazardous waste or hazardous constituents and limit actual or potential human and environmental exposure to hazardous waste or hazardous constituents while long term corrective action remedies are evaluated and implemented. The Permittees shall submit its IM Work Plan to the Secretary within 30 calendar days of the Secretary's notification, unless another time period is specified by the Secretary. Such interim measures may be conducted concurrently with any required corrective action. The Permittees shall prepare and submit IM Work Plans in accordance with the work plan format included in Permit Section 8.14.

#### 8.7.2. Permittee-Initiated Interim Measures

The Permittees may initiate interim measures at a SWMU or AOC by notifying the Secretary, in writing, at least 30 calendar days prior to beginning the Interim Measures. The Secretary will approve the Permittee-initiated IM, conditionally approve the IM, or require submittal of an IM work plan for the Secretary's approval prior to implementation of the Interim Measure.

#### 8.7.3. Emergency Interim Measures

The Permittees may determine, during implementation of site investigation activities, that emergency interim measures are necessary to address an immediate threat of harm to human health or the environment. The Permittees shall notify the Secretary within one business day of discovery of the facts giving rise to the threat, and shall propose emergency interim measures to address the threat. If the Secretary approves the emergency interim measures in writing, the Permittees may implement the proposed emergency interim measures without submitting an interim measures work plan. If circumstances arise resulting in an immediate threat to human health or the environment such that initiation of emergency interim measures are necessary prior to obtaining written approval from the Secretary, the Permittees shall notify the Secretary within one business day of taking the emergency interim measure. The notification shall contain a description of the emergency situation, the types and quantities of contaminants involved, the emergency interim measures taken, and contact information for the emergency coordinator who handled the situation. The notification shall also include a written statement justifying the need to take the emergency action without prior written approval from the Secretary. This requirement shall not be construed to conflict with 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.1(g)(8)) or 20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §270.61).

#### 8.7.4. IM Work Plan Requirements

The IM Work Plan shall ensure that the interim measures are designed to mitigate any current or potential threat(s) to human health or the environment and is consistent with, and integrated into, any final corrective measures at the Facility. The IM Work Plan shall include the interim measures objectives, procedures for implementation (including any designs, plans, or specifications), and schedules for implementation.

#### 8.7.5. Interim Measures Implementation

##### 8.7.5.1. Implementation and Completion of Approved IM Work Plan

The Permittees shall implement interim measures required under Permit Section 8.7 in accordance with the Secretary-approved IM Work Plan. The Permittees shall complete interim measures within 180 calendar days of the start of implementation of the interim measure. The Permittees may submit a written request to the Secretary to extend the period for implementation of the interim measure. The request must provide justification for the extension and a proposed schedule for completion of the interim measure. The Secretary will notify the Permittees, in writing, of the approval or disapproval of the request within 30 calendar days of receipt of the IM implementation extension request.

##### 8.7.5.2. Notification of Changes

The Permittees shall give notice to the Secretary as soon as possible of any planned changes, reductions or additions to the IM Work Plan required by the Secretary under Permit Section 8.7.1 or initiated by the Permittees in accordance with Permit Section 8.7.2.

#### 8.7.6. Interim Measures Reports

The Permittees shall submit to the Secretary for review and approval, within 90 calendar days of completion of interim measures, an IM Report for each SWMU or AOC. The IM Report shall contain, at a minimum, the following information:

1. A description of interim measures implemented;
2. Summaries of results;
3. Summaries of all problems encountered during IM investigations;
4. Summaries of accomplishments and/or effectiveness of interim measures; and,
5. Copies of all relevant laboratory/monitoring data, maps, logs, and other related information.

#### 8.8. CORRECTIVE ACTION INVESTIGATIONS

##### 8.8.1. Investigation Work Plan

##### 8.8.1.1. Investigation Work Plan Submittal

The Permittees shall submit to the Secretary Investigation Work Plans for the SWMUs and AOCs identified in Permit Attachment K, Table K-1

“Solid Waste Management Units (SWMUs) & Areas of Concern (AOCs) Requiring Corrective Action.”

8.8.1.2. Investigation Work Plan Requirements

Investigation Work Plans shall meet the requirements specified in Permit Section 8.14.1. Investigation Work Plans shall include schedules of implementation and completion of specific actions necessary to determine the nature and extent of contamination and the potential pathways of contaminant releases to the air, soil, surface water, and ground water. The Permittees shall provide sufficient justification and associated documentation that a release is not probable or has already been characterized if a unit or a media/pathway associated with a unit (ground water, surface water, soil, subsurface gas, or air) is not included in an Investigation Work Plan. Such deletions of a unit, medium, or pathway from the work plan(s) are subject to the approval of the Secretary. The Permittees shall provide sufficient written justification for any omissions or deviations from the minimum requirements specified in Permit Section 8.14.1. Such omissions or deviations are subject to the approval of the Secretary. In addition, Investigation Work Plans shall include all investigations necessary to ensure compliance with 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.101).

8.8.1.3. Historical Documents

The Permittees shall submit to the Secretary a summary of the historical information and assessment of potential contaminant releases relating to each SWMU or AOC in conjunction with the unit-specific Investigation Work Plan including complete, legible copies of all associated photographic imprints, maps, figures, drawings, tables, attachments, enclosures, appendices and other relevant supporting documentation.

8.8.2. Investigation Work Plan Implementation

The Permittees shall implement Investigation Work Plans as approved by the Secretary. The Permittees shall notify the Secretary at least 30 calendar days prior to any permit or corrective action-related field activity (e.g., drilling, sampling).

8.8.3. Corrective Action Investigation Reports

The Permittees shall prepare and submit to the Secretary Investigation Reports for the investigations conducted in accordance with Investigation Work Plans submitted under Permit Section 8.8.1. The Permittees shall submit the Investigation Reports to the Secretary for review and approval in accordance with the schedules included in its approved Investigation Work Plans.

The Investigation Reports shall include an analysis and summary of all required investigations of SWMUs and AOCs. The summary shall describe the type and extent of contamination at each SWMU and AOC investigated, including sources and migration pathways, identify all hazardous waste or constituents present in all media, and describe actual or potential receptors. The Investigation Report shall also describe the extent of contamination (qualitative and quantitative) in relation to background levels of the area. If the Investigation Report concludes that further work is necessary, the report shall include a schedule for submission of a work plan for the next phase of investigation.

8.8.3.1. Cleanup Levels

The Investigation Reports shall identify the applicable cleanup levels in accordance with Permit Section 8.13 for each hazardous waste or hazardous constituent found at each SWMU and AOC. The Permittees shall propose in the Investigation Report or in a subsequent Risk Assessment or Corrective Measures Evaluation appropriate cleanup levels for those hazardous wastes or hazardous constituents without established cleanup levels based upon human and ecological risk.

8.8.3.2. Requirement to Proceed

Based upon the Secretary's review of the Investigation Report, the Secretary will notify the Permittees of the need for further investigative action, if necessary, and inform the Permittees, if not already notified, of the need for a Corrective Measures Study. The Secretary will notify the Permittees if corrective action is complete. If the Secretary determines that further investigation is necessary, the Secretary will require the Permittees to submit a work plan for approval that includes a proposed schedule for additional investigation(s).

8.9. RISK ASSESSMENT

The Permittees shall attain the cleanup goals outlined in Permit Section 8.13 including, as necessary, performance of risk analysis to establish alternate cleanup goals, at each site for which the Secretary determines, in the format included in Permit Section 8.14, that corrective measures are necessary. The Permittees shall submit to the Secretary for approval a Risk Assessment Report in accordance with this Permit Section for sites where risk analyses are conducted.

8.10. CORRECTIVE MEASURES EVALUATION

8.10.1. General

the Secretary will require corrective measures at a SWMU or AOC if the Secretary determines, based on the Investigation Report and other relevant information available to the Secretary, that there has been a release of contaminants into the environment at the SWMU or AOC and that corrective action is necessary to protect human health or the environment from such a release. Upon making such a determination, the Secretary will notify the



Permittees in writing. The Secretary will specify a date for the submittal of the necessary reports and evaluations in the written notification.

#### 8.10.2. Corrective Measures Evaluation Report

Following written notification from the Secretary that a corrective measures evaluation is required, the Permittees shall submit to the Secretary for approval a Corrective Measures Evaluation Report. The Permittees shall follow the Corrective Measures Evaluation Report format outlined in Permit Section 8.14.5. The corrective measures evaluation shall evaluate potential remedial alternatives and shall recommend a preferred remedy that will be protective of human health and the environment and that will attain the appropriate cleanup goals. The Corrective Measures Evaluation Report shall, at a minimum, comply with Permit Section 8.14.5 and include the following:

1. A description of the location, status, and current use of the site;
2. A description of the history of site operations and the history of releases of contaminants;
3. A description of site surface conditions;
4. A description of site subsurface conditions;
5. A description of on- and off-site contamination in all affected media;
6. An identification and description of all sources of contaminants;
7. An identification and description of contaminant migration pathways;
8. An identification and description of potential receptors;
9. A description of cleanup standards or other applicable regulatory criteria;
10. An identification and description of a range of remedy alternatives;
11. Remedial alternative pilot or bench scale testing results;
12. A detailed evaluation and rating of each of the remedy alternatives, applying the criteria set forth in Permit Section 8.14.5.10;
13. An identification of a proposed preferred remedy or remedies;
14. Design criteria of the selected remedy or remedies; and
15. A proposed schedule for implementation of the preferred remedy.

### 8.10.3. Cleanup Standards

The Permittees shall select corrective measures that are capable of achieving the cleanup standards and goals outlined in Permit Section 8.13 including, as applicable, approved alternate cleanup goals established by a risk assessment.

### 8.10.4. Remedy Evaluation Criteria

#### 8.10.4.1. Threshold Criteria

The Permittees shall evaluate each of the remedy alternatives for the following threshold criteria. To be selected, the remedy alternative must:

1. Be protective of human health and the environment;
2. Attain media cleanup standards;
3. Control the source or sources of releases so as to reduce or eliminate, to the extent practicable, further releases of contaminants that may pose a threat to human health and the environment; and
4. Comply with applicable standards for management of wastes.

#### 8.10.4.2. Remedial Alternative Evaluation Criteria

The Permittees shall evaluate each of the remedy alternatives for the factors described in this Permit Section. These factors shall be balanced in proposing a preferred alternative.

##### a. Long-term Reliability and Effectiveness

The remedy shall be evaluated for long-term reliability and effectiveness. This factor includes consideration of the magnitude of risks that will remain after implementation of the remedy; the extent of long-term monitoring, or other management that will be required after implementation of the remedy; the uncertainties associated with leaving contaminants in place; and the potential for failure of the remedy. Permittees shall give preference to a remedy that reduces risks with little long-term management, and that has proven effective under similar conditions.

##### b. Reduction of Toxicity, Mobility, or Volume

The remedy shall be evaluated for its reduction in the toxicity, mobility, and volume of contaminants. Permittees shall give preference to remedy that uses treatment to more completely and

permanently reduce the toxicity, mobility, and volume of contaminants.

c. Short-term Effectiveness

The remedy shall be evaluated for its short-term effectiveness. This factor includes consideration of the short-term reduction in existing risks that the remedy would achieve; the time needed to achieve that reduction; and the short-term risks that might be posed to the community, workers, and the environment during implementation of the remedy. The Permittees shall give preference to a remedy that quickly reduces short-term risks, without creating significant additional risks.

d. Implementability

The remedy shall be evaluated for its implementability or the difficulty of implementing the remedy. This factor includes consideration of installation and construction difficulties; operation and maintenance difficulties; difficulties with cleanup technology; permitting and approvals; and the availability of necessary equipment, services, expertise, and storage and disposal capacity. Permittees shall give preference to a remedy that can be implemented quickly and easily, and poses fewer and lesser difficulties.

e. Cost

The remedy shall be evaluated for its cost. This factor includes a consideration of both capital costs, and operation and maintenance costs. Capital costs shall include, without limitation, construction and installation costs; equipment costs; land development costs; and indirect costs including engineering costs, legal fees, permitting fees, startup and shakedown costs, and contingency allowances. Operation and maintenance costs shall include, without limitation, operating labor and materials costs; maintenance labor and materials costs; replacement costs; utilities; monitoring and reporting costs; administrative costs; indirect costs; and contingency allowances. All costs shall be calculated based on their net present value. Permittees shall give preference to a remedy that is less costly, but does not sacrifice protection of health and the environment.

#### 8.10.5. Approval of Corrective Measures Evaluation Report

Subject to the procedures in Permit Section 1.10.2, if the Secretary disapproves the Corrective Measures Evaluation Report, the Secretary will notify the Permittees in writing

of the Corrective Measures Evaluation Report's deficiencies and specify a due date for submission of a revised Corrective Measures Evaluation Report. Upon receipt of such notification of disapproval, the Permittees shall submit to the Secretary, within the specified time, a revised Corrective Measures Evaluation Report that corrects the deficiencies. If the Secretary approves the Corrective Measures Evaluation Report, the Secretary will notify the Permittees in writing.

#### 8.10.6. Relationship to Corrective Action Requirements

The Corrective Measures Evaluation shall serve as a Corrective Measures Study for the purposes of RCRA compliance. *See* 55 Fed. Reg. 30875-77 (July 27, 1990) (proposed 20.4.1.500 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §264.520-264.524).

#### 8.10.7. Statement of Basis

Upon approval of the Corrective Measures Evaluation Report, the Secretary will select a remedy or remedies for the SWMU or AOC. The Secretary may choose a different remedy from that recommended by the Permittees. The Secretary will issue a Statement of Basis for selection of the remedy, and will receive public comment on the remedy. The public comment period will extend for at least 45 days from the date of the public notice of the Statement of Basis. The Secretary will provide an opportunity for a public hearing on the remedy, at which all interested persons will be given a reasonable chance to submit data, views or arguments orally or in writing and to examine witnesses testifying at the hearing. The comment period will automatically be extended to the close of the public hearing. The public hearing will follow the hearing requirements specified in 20.4.1.901.F NMAC. The Secretary will select a final remedy and issue a response to public comments to all commenters, after the end of the public comment period. In selecting a remedy, the Secretary will follow the public participation requirements applicable to remedy selection specified in 20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §270.41) and 20.4.1.901 NMAC.

The administrative record for the Facility will be made available to the public for review at the Secretary's offices in Santa Fe, New Mexico. All significant written and signed comments, including emailed comments, will be considered by the Secretary prior to approving a final remedy or remedies.

The Secretary's decision on the final remedy or remedies shall follow the requirements specified in 20.4.1.901 NMAC, Secretary's Decision. The Secretary will issue a response to public comments at the time of the Secretary's final decision.

### 8.11. CORRECTIVE MEASURES IMPLEMENTATION

#### 8.11.1. General

The Permittees shall implement the final remedy selected by the Secretary.

#### 8.11.2. Corrective Measures Implementation Plan

Within 90 days after the Secretary's selection of a final remedy, or as otherwise specified by the schedule contained in the approved Corrective Measure Evaluation Report or as specified by a schedule required by the Secretary in the written approval notification, the Permittees shall submit to the Secretary for approval a Corrective Measures Implementation Plan outlining the design, construction, operation, maintenance, and performance monitoring for the selected remedy, and a schedule for its implementation. The implementation plan shall be submitted to the Secretary for review in accordance with the procedures in Permit Section 1.10. The Corrective Measures Implementation Plan shall, at a minimum, include the following elements:

1. A description of the selected final remedy;
2. A description of the cleanup goals and remediation system objectives;
3. An identification and description of the qualifications of all persons, consultants, and contractors that will be implementing the remedy;
4. Detailed engineering design drawings and systems specifications for all elements of the remedy signed and stamped by a registered New Mexico professional engineer;
5. A construction work plan;
6. An operation and maintenance plan;
7. The results of any remedy pilot tests;
8. A plan for monitoring the performance of the remedy, including sampling and laboratory analysis of all affected media;
9. A waste management plan;
10. A proposed schedule for submission to the Secretary of periodic progress reports;  
and
11. A proposed schedule for implementation of the remedy.

#### 8.11.3. Health and Safety Plan

The Permittees shall conduct all activities in accordance with a site-specific or Facility-wide Health and Safety Plan during all construction, operation, maintenance, and monitoring activities conducted during corrective measures implementation.

#### 8.11.4. Progress Reports

The Permittees shall submit progress reports to the Secretary in accordance with the schedule approved in the Corrective Measures Implementation Plan. The progress reports shall, at a minimum, include the following information:

1. A description of the remedy work completed during the reporting period;
2. A summary of problems, potential problems, or delays encountered during the reporting period;
3. A description of actions taken to eliminate or mitigate the problems, potential problems, or delays;
4. A discussion of the remedy work projected for the next reporting period, including all sampling events;
5. Copies of the results of all monitoring, including sampling and analysis, and other data generated during the reporting period; and
6. Copies of all waste disposal records generated during the reporting period.

#### 8.11.5. Remedy Completion

##### 8.11.5.1. Remedy Completion Report

Within 90 days after completion of remedy, the Permittees shall submit to the Secretary a Remedy Completion Report. The report shall, at a minimum, include the following items:

1. A summary of the work completed;
2. A statement, signed by a registered professional engineer, that the remedy has been completed in accordance with the Secretary approved work plan for the remedy;
3. As-built drawings and specifications signed and stamped by a registered New Mexico professional engineer;
4. Copies of the results of all monitoring, including sampling and analysis, and other data generated during the remedy implementation, if not already submitted in a progress report;
5. Copies of all waste disposal records, if not already submitted in a progress report; and
6. A certification, signed by a responsible official of facility, stating: "I certify under penalty of law that this document and all

attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision according to a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on my 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 my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations.”

## 8.12. ACCELERATED CLEANUP PROCESS

If the Permittees identify a corrective action or measure that, if implemented voluntarily, will reduce risks to human health and the environment to levels acceptable to the Secretary, will reduce cost and/or will achieve cleanup of a SWMU or AOC ahead of schedule, the Permittees may implement the corrective measure as provided in this Permit Section, in lieu of the process established in Permit Sections 8.7 through 8.11. The accelerated cleanup process shall be used at sites to implement presumptive remedies at small-scale and relatively simple sites where groundwater contamination is not a component of the accelerated cleanup, where the remedy is considered to be the final remedy for the site, and where the field work will be accomplished within 180 days of the commencement of field activities.

The Permittees shall notify the Secretary of the planned accelerated corrective action or measure a minimum of 30 days prior to the commencement of any accelerated field activity. The notification shall include the submittal of the Plan if not already submitted to the Secretary.

### 8.12.1. Accelerated Corrective Measures Work Plan

The proposed accelerated cleanup will be documented in an Accelerated Corrective Measure Work Plan, which shall include:

1. A description of the proposed remedial action, including details of the unit or activity that is subject to the requirements of this Permit;
2. An explanation of how the proposed cleanup action is consistent with the overall corrective action objectives and requirements of this Permit,
3. The methods and procedures for characterization and remediation sample collection and analyses, and
4. A schedule for implementation and reporting on the proposed cleanup action.

The Permittees shall obtain the Secretary’s approval of an Accelerated Corrective Measures Work Plan prior to implementation. The Permittees shall prepare the Work Plan in general accordance with the requirements of Permit Section 8.14. The Permittees shall include an implementation schedule in the revised Accelerated Corrective Measures Work Plan.

### 8.12.2. Accelerated Corrective Measures Implementation

Upon approval by the Secretary, the Permittees shall implement the accelerated corrective measures in accordance with the approved Accelerated Corrective Measures Work Plan. Within 90 days of completion of the accelerated corrective measures, the Permittees shall submit to the Secretary for approval a Remedy Completion Report in a format approved by the Department in accordance with Permit Section 8.14. If upon review, the Secretary determines that applicable cleanup levels were not achieved during corrective measures implementation or that there were deficiencies in the accelerated corrective measures implementation or reporting, the Secretary will notify the Permittees in writing.

### 8.13. CLEANUP LEVELS

The Permittees shall attain the cleanup levels specified below when implementing the closure and corrective action requirements of this Permit.

#### 8.13.1. Ground Water Cleanup Levels

The Permittees shall attain the following cleanup levels for all hazardous waste and hazardous constituents in ground water:

1. For any contaminant for which the Environmental Protection Agency (**EPA**) has adopted a maximum contaminant level (**MCL**) for drinking water under 40 CFR parts 141 and 143, the MCL shall be the cleanup level;
2. For any contaminant for which the New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission (**WQCC**) has adopted numeric standards for ground water listed in 20.6.2.3103 NMAC, the ground water standard shall be the cleanup level; and
3. For any contaminant that the WQCC has identified as a toxic pollutant listed in 20.6.2.7.WW NMAC, the level approved by the New Mexico Environment Department (**NMED**) under paragraph 2 or 3 below shall be the cleanup level.

For any contaminant for which more than one of the cleanup levels set forth in subparagraphs 1, 2, and 3 above would apply, the lowest (or otherwise most protective) level shall be the applicable cleanup level.

If a cleanup level under Item 1 above does not exist for a carcinogenic hazardous waste or hazardous constituent, then the Permittees shall use the most recent version of the EPA *Regional Screening Levels for Chemical Contaminants at Superfund Sites* (**RSLs**) for tap water and a target excess cancer risk level of  $10^{-5}$  to develop a proposed cleanup level for NMED approval. The Permittees may use other scientific or regulatory information currently available to the public to develop and propose a cleanup level for NMED approval provided that the level is lower (or otherwise more protective) than the RSL.

If a cleanup level under Item 1 above does not exist for a noncarcinogenic hazardous waste or hazardous constituent, then the Permittees shall use the most recent version of the EPA



RSLs for tap water and a Hazard Index (**HI**) of one (1.0) to develop a proposed cleanup level for NMED approval. The Permittees may use other scientific or regulatory information currently available to the public to develop and propose a cleanup level for NMED approval provided that the level is lower (or otherwise more protective) than the RSL.

If perchlorate is detected at concentrations at or greater than 4 µg/L and no ground water standard or MCL has been adopted by the Environmental Improvement Board, WQCC, or EPA, then the Permittees shall use the cleanup goal with a HI of 1.0 to develop the proposed cleanup level for use in their site investigation or corrective measure evaluation.

#### 8.13.2. Soil Cleanup Levels

The Permittees shall attain the following cleanup levels for hazardous waste and hazardous constituents in soil:

1. For all individual contaminants for which NMED has specified a soil screening level in NMED's *Technical Background Document for Development of Soil Screening Levels*, the residential or industrial land use scenario cleanup level shall be the screening level specified in the most recent version of that document. The method for determining cleanup levels for sites with multiple contaminants shall follow NMED's *Technical Background Document for Development of Soil Screening Levels* (as updated) and items 2 and 3 below, as applicable;
2. The Permittees shall propose a soil cleanup level for PCBs based on NMED's *Position Paper Risk-based Remediation of Polychlorinated Biphenyls at RCRA Corrective Action Sites* (March 2000 as updated); and
3. If NMED soil screening level has not been established for a hazardous waste or hazardous constituent, the Permittees shall propose for NMED approval, a cleanup level based on the most recent version of the EPA Region VI HHMSSL (based on a HI of one (1.0) for compounds designated as "n" (noncarcinogen effects), "max" (maximum concentration), and "sat" (soil saturation concentration), or ten times the EPA Region VI HHMSSL for compounds designated "c" (carcinogen effects) (i.e. a target excess cancer risk level of  $10^{-5}$ ).

#### 8.13.3. Land Use Determination

All soil cleanup levels shall be based on a residential land use scenario unless NMED determines that an alternate land use is appropriate (e.g. subsistence farming, cultural, or industrial). The Permittees may only propose an alternate land use with less stringent cleanup levels (e.g. industrial) if NMED or EPA can legally and practicably enforce the institutional controls limiting the land use. If an alternate land use for which NMED or EPA has not established soil cleanup levels is determined to be the current and reasonably foreseeable future land use, then the Permittees may propose cleanup levels based on a risk assessment using a target excess cancer risk level of  $10^{-5}$  for carcinogenic hazardous waste or hazardous constituent or, for noncarcinogenic hazardous waste or hazardous constituent, a HI of one (1.0).

#### 8.13.4. Surface Water Cleanup Levels

The Permittees shall comply with the surface water quality standards outlined in the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. §§1251 to 1387), the New Mexico WQCC Regulations (20.6.2 NMAC), the State of New Mexico Standards for Interstate and Intrastate Surface Waters (20.6.4 NMAC) and the procedures for alternative abatement standards (20.6.2.4103 NMAC).

#### 8.13.5. Ecological Risk Cleanup Levels

The Permittees shall derive cleanup levels for each hazardous waste and hazardous constituent for each ecological zone at the Facility using the methodology in NMED's *Guidance for Assessing Ecological Risks Posed by Chemicals: Screening-Level Ecological Risk Assessment* (July 2008, as updated). If the ecological risk evaluation indicates that a lower cleanup level for a hazardous waste or hazardous constituent in ground water, soil, or surface water is necessary to protect environmental receptors, NMED may establish cleanup levels based on ecological risk for hazardous waste or hazardous constituents in ground water, soil, or surface water that are lower than levels that are solely protective of human health.

#### 8.13.6. Background Concentrations

If the naturally occurring (background) concentration of a hazardous waste or hazardous constituent in ground water, soil, or surface water exceeds the standards specified above, then the cleanup level shall be the background concentration. To use background concentration as a cleanup level, the Permittees must obtain a written background determination from NMED.

#### 8.13.7. Variance from Cleanup Levels

The Permittees may seek a variance from a cleanup level for soil or ground water as follows:

##### 8.13.7.1. WQCC Standards

The Permittees may seek a technical infeasibility determination or alternative abatement standard from a WQCC standard in accordance with 20.6.2.4103.E or F NMAC.

##### 8.13.7.2. Soil Standards and Non-WQCC Ground Water Standards

The Permittees may seek a variance from any cleanup level for soil or for ground water (other than a WQCC standard) by submitting a written request to NMED for a determination that attainment of the cleanup level is technically infeasible or otherwise impracticable due to conflict with other environmental laws or requirements for the preservation of cultural resources. If based on technical infeasibility, the request shall include a demonstration of technical or physical impossibility of attaining the

cleanup level using potential corrective action remedies. If based on conflict with other environmental laws or requirements for the preservation of cultural resources, the request shall include documentation showing that Permittees have attempted to resolve the conflict or mitigate the impact on cultural or natural resources and shall explain why mitigating measures cannot resolve the conflict or adequately protect the cultural or natural resource (e.g. consultation and a determination of incidental taking or reasonable and prudent measures to minimize the impact under 16 U.S.C. §1536). All requests shall include a discussion of the effectiveness of potential corrective action remedies, whether the proposed variance will allow a present or future hazard to public health or the environment, and any other information required by the NMED. In addition, the request shall propose alternate cleanup levels for NMED approval, based on the effectiveness of potential corrective action remedies and a site-specific risk assessment based on NMED's guidance, *Technical Background Document for Development of Soil Screening Levels* (August 2009, as updated), *Assessing Human Health Risks Posed by Chemicals: Screening Level Risk Assessment* (March 2000), and *Guidance for Assessing Ecological Risks Posed by Chemicals: Screening-Level Ecological Risk Assessment* (July 2008, as updated).

#### 8.14. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

The purpose of this Permit Section is to provide the reporting requirements and report formats for corrective action activities at all SWMUs, AOCs, and permitted units required under this Permit. This Section is not intended to provide reporting requirements for every potential corrective action conducted at the facility; therefore, the formats for all types of reports are not presented below. The described formats include the general reporting requirements and formats for site-specific investigation work plans, investigation reports, periodic monitoring reports, risk assessment reports, and corrective measures evaluations. The Permittees shall generally consider the reports to be the equivalents of RCRA Facility Investigation (**RFI**) work plans, RFI reports, periodic monitoring reports, risk assessments, Corrective Measures Study (**CMS**) plans, and CMS reports, for the purposes of RCRA compliance. The Permittees shall include detailed, site-specific requirements in all SWMU, AOC, permitted unit and facility-wide investigation work plans, investigation reports, monitoring reports, and corrective measures evaluations. All plans and reports shall be prepared with technical and regulatory input from NMED. All work plans, reports and other documents shall be submitted to NMED in the form of two paper copies and one copy in electronic or other format acceptable to NMED. The Permittees shall submit maps and figures in a format specified by NMED (e.g., \*.shp, \*.dwg).

The reporting requirements listed in this Section do not include all sections that may be necessary to complete each type of report listed and may include sections that are not relevant for a specific site action. The Permittees or NMED may determine that additional sections may be needed to address additional site-specific issues or information collected during corrective action or monitoring activities not listed below. However, the Permittees must submit variations of the general report format and the formats for reports not listed in this Section in outline form to NMED for approval

prior to submittal of the reports. All work plans and reports are subject to the requirements in this Permit Part. NMED will approve or disapprove, in writing, the proposed report outline within 90 days of receipt of the outline. If NMED disapproves the report outline, NMED will notify the Permittees, in writing, of the outline's deficiencies and will specify a date for submittal of a revised report outline. All reports submitted by the Permittees shall follow the general approach and limitations for data presentation described in this Section.

#### 8.14.1. Investigation Work Plan

The Permittees shall prepare work plans subject to the requirements of this Permit Part for site investigations or corrective action activities at the facility using the general outline below. The minimum requirements for describing proposed activities within each section are included. All research, locations, depths and methods of exploration, field procedures, analytical results, data collection methods, and schedules shall be included in each work plan. In general, interpretation of data acquired during previous investigations shall be presented only in the background sections of the work plans. The other text sections of the work plans shall be reserved for presentation of anticipated site-specific activities and procedures relevant to the project. The general work plan outline is described below.

##### 8.14.1.1. Title Page

The title page shall include the type of document; facility name; area designation; SWMU or AOC name, site, and any other unit name; and the submittal date. A signature block providing spaces for the name and title of the responsible facility representative shall be provided on the title page in accordance with 20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §270.11(d)(1)).

##### 8.14.1.2. Executive Summary (Abstract)

The executive summary or abstract shall provide a brief summary of the purpose and scope of the investigation to be conducted at the subject site. The facility, SWMU or AOC name, site name, any other unit name, location, and area designation shall be included in the executive summary.

##### 8.14.1.3. Table of Contents

The table of contents shall list all text sections, tables, figures, and appendices or attachments included in the work plan. The corresponding page numbers for the titles of each section of the work plan shall be included in the table of contents.

##### 8.14.1.4. Introduction

The introduction shall include the facility name, area designation, unit location, and unit status (e.g., closed, corrective action). General

information on the current site usage and status shall be included in this section. A brief description of the purpose of the investigation and the type of site investigation to be conducted shall be provided in this section.

8.14.1.5. Background

The background section shall describe relevant background information. This section shall briefly summarize historical site uses by the U.S. Government and any other entity, including the locations of current and former site structures and features. A labeled figure shall be included in the document showing the locations of current and former site structures and features. The locations of pertinent subsurface features such as pipelines, underground tanks, utility lines, and other subsurface structures shall be included in the background summary and labeled on the figure, unless none exist.

This section shall identify potential receptors, including groundwater, and include a brief summary of the type and characteristics of all waste and all contaminants managed or released at the site, the known and possible sources of contamination, the history of releases or discharges of contamination, and the known extent of contamination. This section shall include brief summaries of results of previous investigations, if conducted, including references to pertinent figures, data summary tables, and text in previous reports. At a minimum, detections of contaminants encountered during previous investigations shall be presented in table format, with an accompanying figure showing sample locations. References to previous reports shall include page, table, and figure numbers for referenced information. Summary data tables and site plans showing relevant investigation locations shall be included in the Tables and Figures sections of the document, respectively.

8.14.1.6. Site Conditions

a. Surface Conditions

A section on surface conditions shall provide a brief detailed description of current site topography, features and structures including a description of topographic drainages, man-made drainages, vegetation, erosional features, and basins. It shall also include a detailed description of current site usage and any current operations at the site. In addition, descriptions of features located in surrounding sites that may have an impact on the subject site regarding sediment transport, surface water runoff, or contaminant fate and transport shall be included in this section.

b. Subsurface Conditions

A section on subsurface conditions shall provide a brief, detailed description of the site conditions observed during previous subsurface investigations, including relevant soil horizons, stratigraphy, presence of groundwater, and other relevant information. A site plan showing the locations of all borings and excavations advanced during previous investigations shall be included in the Figures section of the work plan. A brief description of the anticipated stratigraphic units that may be encountered during the investigation may be included in this subsection if no previous investigations have been conducted at the site.

8.14.1.7. Scope of Activities

A section on the scope of activities shall briefly describe a list of all anticipated activities to be performed during the investigation including background information research, health and safety requirements that may affect or limit the completion of tasks, drilling, test pit or other excavations, well construction, field data collection, survey data collection, chemical analytical testing, aquifer testing, remediation system pilot tests, and investigation-derived waste (**IDW**) storage and disposal.

8.14.1.8. Investigation Methods

A section on investigation methods shall provide a description of all anticipated locations and methods for conducting the activities to be performed during the investigation. This section shall include research methods, health and safety practices that may affect the completion of tasks, drilling methods, test pit or other excavation methods, sampling intervals and methods, well construction methods, field data collection methods, geophysical and land survey methods, field screening methods, chemical analytical testing, materials testing, aquifer testing, pilot tests, and other proposed investigation and testing methods. This information may also be summarized in table format, if appropriate.

8.14.1.9. Monitoring and Sampling

A section on monitoring and sampling shall provide a description of the groundwater, ambient air, subsurface vapor, remediation system, engineering controls, and other monitoring and sampling programs currently being implemented at the site.

8.14.1.10. Schedule

A section shall set forth the anticipated schedule for completion of field investigation, pilot testing, and monitoring and sampling activities. In addition, this section shall set forth a schedule for submittal of reports and

data to NMED including a schedule for submitting all status reports and preliminary data.

8.14.1.11. Tables

The following summary tables may be included in the investigation work plans, if previous investigations have been conducted at the site. Data presented in the tables shall include information on dates of data collection, analytical methods, detection limits, and significant data quality exceptions. The analytical data tables shall include only detected analytes and data quality exceptions that could potentially mask detections.

1. Summaries of regulatory criteria, background, and applicable cleanup levels (may be included in the analytical data tables instead of as separate tables).
2. Summaries of historical field survey location data.
3. Summaries of historical field screening and field parameter measurements of soil, rock, sediments, groundwater, surface water, and air quality data.
4. Summaries of historical soil, rock, or sediment laboratory analytical data shall include the analytical methods, detection limits, and significant data quality exceptions that could influence interpretation of the data.
5. Summaries of historical groundwater elevation and depth to groundwater data. The table shall include the monitoring well depths, the screened intervals in each well, and the dates and times measurements were taken.
6. Summaries of historical groundwater laboratory analytical data. The analytical data tables shall include the analytical methods, detection limits, and significant data quality exceptions that could influence interpretation of the data.
7. Summary of historical surface water laboratory analytical data. The analytical data tables shall include the analytical methods, detection limits, and significant data quality exceptions that could influence interpretation of the data.
8. Summary of historical air sample screening and chemical analytical data. The data tables shall include the screening instruments used, laboratory analytical methods, detection limits,

and significant data quality exceptions that could influence interpretation of the data.

9. Summary of historical pilot or other test data, if applicable, including units of measurement and types of instruments used to obtain measurements.

#### 8.14.1.12. Figures

The following figures shall be included with each investigation work plan for each site, including presentation of data where previous investigations have been conducted. All figures must include an accurate bar scale and a north arrow. An explanation shall be included on each figure for all abbreviations, symbols, acronyms, and qualifiers. All maps shall contain a date of preparation.

1. A vicinity map showing topography and the general location of the site relative to surrounding features and properties.
2. A site plan that presents pertinent site features and structures, underground utilities, well locations, and remediation system locations and details. Off-site well locations and other relevant features shall be included on the site plan, if appropriate. Additional site plans may be required to present the locations of relevant off-site well locations, structures, and features.
3. Figures showing historical and proposed soil boring or excavation locations and sampling locations.
4. Figures presenting historical soil sample field screening and laboratory analytical data if applicable.
5. Figures presenting the locations of all existing and proposed borings and vapor monitoring well locations.
6. Figures showing all existing and proposed wells and piezometers, presenting historical groundwater elevation data, and indicating groundwater flow directions.
7. Figures presenting historical groundwater laboratory analytical data, if applicable. The chemical analytical data corresponding to each sampling location can be presented in tabular form on the figure or as an isoconcentration map.
8. Figures presenting historical and proposed surface water sample locations and field measurement data, if applicable.



9. Figures presenting historical surface water laboratory analytical data, if applicable.
10. Figures showing historical and proposed air or vapor sampling locations and presenting historical air quality data, if applicable.
11. Figures presenting historical pilot and other testing locations and data, where applicable, including site plans and graphic data presentation.
12. Figures presenting geologic cross-sections, based on outcrop and borehole data acquired during previous investigations, if applicable.

#### 8.14.1.13. Appendices

A description of IDW management shall be included as an appendix to the investigation work plan. The results of historical investigations required in this Permit shall be submitted with the investigation work plan as a separate document. Additional appendices may be necessary to present additional data or documentation not listed above.

#### 8.14.2. Investigation Report

The Permittees shall prepare investigation reports at the facility using the general outline below. The Investigation Report shall be the reporting mechanism for presenting the results of completed Investigation Work Plans. This section describes the minimum requirements for reporting on site investigations. All data collected during each site investigation event in the reporting period shall be included in the reports. In general, interpretation of data shall be presented only in the background, conclusions and recommendations sections of the reports. The other text sections of the reports shall be reserved for presentation of facts and data without interpretation or qualifications. The general report outline is provided below.

##### 8.14.2.1. Title Page

The title page shall include the type of document; facility name; area designation; SWMU or AOC name, site, and any other unit name; and the submittal date. A signature block providing spaces for the name and title of the responsible facility representatives shall be provided on the title page in accordance with 20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §270.11(d)(1)).

##### 8.14.2.2. Executive Summary (Abstract)

The executive summary or abstract shall provide a brief summary of the purpose, scope, and results of the investigation; site names; location; and area designation. In addition, this section shall include a brief summary of

conclusions included in the Report based on the investigation data collected and recommendations for future investigation, monitoring, remedial action or site closure.

8.14.2.3. Table of Contents

The table of contents shall list all text sections, subsections, tables, figures, and appendices or attachments included in the report. The corresponding page numbers for the titles of each section of the report shall be included in the table of contents.

8.14.2.4. Introduction

The introduction section shall include the facility name, area designation, unit location, and unit status (e.g., closed, corrective action). General information on the site usage and status shall be included in this section. A brief description of the purpose of the investigation, the type of site investigation conducted, and the type of results presented in the report also shall be provided in this section.

8.14.2.5. Background

The background section shall describe relevant background information. This section shall briefly summarize historical site uses by the U.S. Government and any other entity, including the locations of current and former site structures and features. A labeled figure shall be included in the document showing the locations of current and former site structures and features. The locations of any subsurface features such as pipelines, underground tanks, utility lines, and other subsurface structures shall be included in the background summary and labeled on the figure, as appropriate. In addition, this section shall include a brief summary of the possible sources of contamination, the history of releases or discharges of contamination, the known extent of contamination, and a general summary of the results of previous investigations including references to previous reports. The references to previous reports shall include page, table, and figure numbers for referenced information. A site plan, showing relevant investigation locations, and summary data tables shall be included in the Figures and Tables sections of the document, respectively.

8.14.2.6. Scope of Activities

A section on the scope of activities shall briefly describe all activities performed during the investigation event including background information research, implemented health and safety measures that affected or limited the completion of tasks, drilling, test pit or other excavation methods, well construction methods, field data collection,

survey data collection, chemical analytical testing, aquifer testing, remediation system pilot tests, and IDW storage or disposal.

8.14.2.7. Field Investigation Results

A section shall provide a summary of the procedures used and the results of all field investigation activities conducted at the site including the dates that investigation activities were conducted, the type and purpose of field investigation activities performed, field screening measurements, logging and sampling results, pilot test results, construction details, and conditions observed. Field observations or conditions that altered the planned work or may have influenced the results of sampling, testing, and logging shall be reported in this section. The following sections shall be included.

a. Surface Conditions

A section on surface conditions shall describe current site topography, features, and structures including topographic drainages, man-made drainages, vegetation, and erosional features. It shall also include a description of current site uses and any operations at the site. In addition, descriptions of features located in surrounding sites that may have an impact on the subject site regarding sediment transport, surface water runoff, or contaminant transport shall be included in this subsection.

b. Exploratory Drilling or Excavation Investigations

A section shall describe the locations, methods, and depths of subsurface explorations. The description shall include the types of equipment used, the logging procedures, the soil or rock classification system used to describe the observed materials, exploration equipment decontamination procedures, and conditions encountered that may have affected or limited the investigation.

A description of the site conditions observed during subsurface investigation activities shall be included in this section, including soil horizon and stratigraphic information. Site plans showing the locations of all borings and excavations shall be included in the Figures Section of the report. Boring and test pit logs for all exploratory borings and test pits shall be presented in an appendix or attachment to the report.

c. Exploratory and Monitoring Well Boring Geophysical Logging

A section shall describe the methods, dates of measurement, depth intervals measured, and the results of geophysical logging. The relative merits and limitations of each geophysical logging method employed shall be discussed, along with any field conditions or instrument malfunctions that occurred that may have affected the results of the geophysical logging.

d. Subsurface Conditions

A section on subsurface conditions shall describe known subsurface lithology and structures, based on observations made during the current and previous subsurface investigations, including interpretation of geophysical logs and as-built drawings of man-made structures. A description of any known locations of pipelines and utility lines and observed geologic structures shall also be included in this section. A site plan showing boring and excavation locations and the locations of the site's above- and below-ground structures shall be included in the Figures section of the report. In addition, cross-sections shall be constructed, if appropriate, to provide additional visual presentation of site or regional subsurface conditions.

e. Monitoring Well construction and Boring or Excavation Abandonment

A section shall describe the methods and details of monitoring well construction and the methods used to abandon or backfill exploratory borings and excavations. The description shall include the dates of well construction, boring abandonment, or excavation backfilling. In addition, well construction diagrams shall be included in an appendix or attachment with the associated boring logs for monitoring well borings. The Permittees may submit well abandonment reports as an appendix to the investigation report.

f. Groundwater Conditions

A section shall describe groundwater conditions observed beneath the subject site and relate local groundwater conditions to regional groundwater conditions. A description of the depths to water, aquifer thickness, and groundwater flow directions shall be included in this section for alluvial groundwater, shallow perched groundwater, intermediate perched groundwater, and regional groundwater, as appropriate to the investigation. Figures showing well locations, surrounding area, and groundwater elevations and flow directions for each hydrologic zone shall be included in the Figures section of the report.

g. Surface Water Conditions

A section shall describe surface water conditions and include a description of surface water runoff, drainage, surface water sediment transport, and contaminant transport in surface water as suspended load and as a dissolved phase in surface water via natural and man-made drainages, if applicable. A description of contaminant fate and transport shall be included, if appropriate.

h. Surface Air and Subsurface Vapor Conditions

A section shall describe surface air and subsurface vapor monitoring and sampling methods used during the site investigation. It shall also describe observations made during the site investigation regarding subsurface flow pathways and the subsurface air-flow regime.

i. Materials Testing Results

A section shall discuss the materials testing results, such as core permeability testing, grain size analysis, or other materials testing results. Sample collection methods, locations, and depths shall also be included. Corresponding summary tables shall be included in the Tables section of the report.

j. Pilot Testing Results

A section shall discuss the results of any pilot tests. Pilot tests are typically conducted after initial subsurface investigations are completed and the need for additional investigation or remediation has been evaluated. Pilot tests, including aquifer tests and remediation system pilot tests, shall be addressed through separate work plans and pilot test reports. The format for pilot test work plans and reports shall be approved by NMED prior to submittal.

8.14.2.8. Regulatory Criteria

A section shall set forth the cleanup standards, risk-based screening levels, and risk-based cleanup goals for each pertinent medium at the subject site. The appropriate cleanup levels for each site shall be included if site-specific levels have been established at separate facility sites or units. A table summarizing the applicable cleanup standards or levels or inclusion of applicable cleanup standards or levels in the data tables shall be included as part of the document. The risk assessment, if conducted, shall be presented in a separate document or in an appendix to this report. If cleanup or screening levels calculated in a NMED-approved risk evaluation are employed, the risk evaluation document shall be

referenced and shall include pertinent page numbers for referenced information.

8.14.2.9. Site Contamination

A section shall provide a description of sampling intervals and methods for detection of surface and subsurface contamination in soils, rock, sediments, groundwater, and surface water, and as vapor-phase contamination. Only factual information shall be included in this section. Interpretation of the data shall be reserved for the summary and conclusions sections of the report. Tables summarizing all sampling, testing, and screening results for detected contaminants shall be prepared in a format approved by NMED. The tables shall be presented in the Tables Section of the report.

a. Soil, Rock, and Sediment Sampling

A section shall describe the sampling of soil, rock, and sediment. It shall include the dates, locations and methods of sample collection; sampling intervals; sample logging methods; screening sample selection methods; and laboratory sample selection methods including the collection depths for samples submitted for laboratory analyses. A site plan showing the sample locations shall be included in the Figures Section of the report.

b. Soil, Rock, and Sediment Sampling Field Screening Results

A section shall describe the field screening methods used during the investigation and the field screening results. Field screening results also shall be presented in summary tables in the Tables section of the document. The limitations of field screening instrumentation and any conditions that influenced the results of field screening shall be discussed in this section.

c. Soil, Rock, and Sediment Sampling Analytical Results

A section shall summarize the results of laboratory analysis for soil, rock, and sediment samples. It shall also describe the analytical methods used and provide a comparison of the analytical results to background levels, cleanup standards, or established cleanup levels for the site. The laboratory results also shall be presented in summary tables in the Tables section of the document. Field conditions and sample collection methods that could potentially affect the analytical results shall be described in this section. If appropriate, soil analytical data shall be presented with sample locations on a site plan and included in the Figures section of the report.

d. Groundwater Sampling

A section on groundwater sampling shall describe the dates, locations, depths, and methods of sample collection; methods for sample logging; and methods for screening and laboratory sample selection. A map showing all site and surrounding area well locations shall be included in the Figures section of the report.

e. Groundwater General Chemistry

A section on the general groundwater chemistry shall describe the results of measurement of field purging parameters and field analytical measurements. Field parameter measurements and field analytical results also shall be presented in summary tables in the Tables section of the document. The limitations of field measurement instrumentation and any conditions that may have influenced the results of field screening shall be discussed in this section. As determined by the Permittees and NMED, relevant water chemistry concentrations shall be presented as data tables or as isoconcentration contours on a map included in the Figures section of the report.

f. Groundwater Chemical Analytical Results

A section shall summarize the results of groundwater chemical analyses. It shall describe the groundwater chemical analytical methods and analytical results. It shall also provide a comparison of the data to cleanup standards or established cleanup levels for the site. The rationale or purpose for altering or modifying the groundwater sampling program outlined in the site investigation work plan shall also be provided in this section. Field conditions shall be described in this section that may have affected the analytical results during sample collection. Tables summarizing the groundwater laboratory, field, and field sample QA/QC chemical analytical data; applicable cleanup levels; and modifications to the groundwater sampling program shall be provided in the Tables Section of the report. Relevant contaminant concentrations shall be presented as individual analyte concentrations, data tables, or as isoconcentration contours on a map included in the Figures Section of the report.

g. Surface Water Sampling

A section shall describe the surface water sampling and shall include the dates, times, locations, depths, and methods of sample collection. It shall also describe methods for sample logging,

sample-screening methods, and laboratory sample selection methods. A map showing all surface-water sampling locations shall be included in the Figures section of the report.

h. Surface Water General Chemistry

A section on the surface water general chemistry shall describe the results of measurement of field parameters and field analytical measurements. Field parameter measurements and field analytical results also shall be presented in summary tables in the Tables section of the document. The limitations of field measurement instrumentation and any conditions that influenced the results of field screening shall be discussed in this section. Relevant water chemistry concentrations shall be presented as data tables on a map included in the Figures section of the report.

i. Surface Water Chemical Analytical Results

A section shall summarize the results of surface water chemical analyses. It shall describe the analytical methods and analytical results, and provide a comparison of the data to the cleanup standards or established background or cleanup levels for the site. The rationale or purpose for altering or modifying the surface-water sampling program outlined in the site investigation work plan also shall be provided in this section. Field conditions that may have affected the analytical results during sample collection shall be described in this section. Tables summarizing the surface water laboratory, field, and analytical field sample QA/QC analytical data; applicable cleanup levels; and modifications to the surface-water sampling program shall be provided in the Tables section of the report. Relevant contaminant concentrations shall be presented as individual analyte concentrations or as data tables on a map included in the Figures section of the report.

j. Air and Subsurface Vapor Sampling

A section shall describe the air and subsurface vapor sampling. It shall describe the dates, locations, depths or elevations above ground surface, methods of sample collection, methods for sample logging, and methods for laboratory sample selection. A map showing all air sampling locations shall be provided in the Figures section of the report.

k. Air and Subsurface Vapor Field Screening Results

A section shall describe the air and subsurface vapor field screening results. It shall describe the field screening methods



used for ambient air and subsurface vapors during the investigation. Field screening results shall also be presented in summary tables in the Tables section of the report. The locations of ambient air and subsurface vapor screening sample collection shall be presented on a site plan included in the Figures section of the report. The limitations of field screening instrumentation and any conditions that influenced the results of field screening shall be discussed in this section.

1. Air and subsurface Vapor Laboratory Analytical Results

A section shall describe the results of air and subsurface vapor laboratory analysis. It shall describe the air sampling laboratory analytical methods and analytical results, and provide a comparison of the data to emissions standards or established cleanup or emissions levels for the site. The rationale or purpose for altering or modifying the air monitoring or sampling program outlined in the site investigation work plan also shall be provided in this section. Field conditions that may have affected the analytical results during sample collection shall be described in this section. Tables summarizing the air sample laboratory, field, and analytical field sample QA/QC data; applicable cleanup levels or emissions standards; and modifications to the air sampling program shall be provided in the Tables section of the report. Relevant contaminant concentrations shall be presented as individual analyte concentrations, data tables, or as isoconcentration contours on a map included in the Figures section of the report.

8.14.2.10. Conclusions

A section shall provide a brief summary of the investigation activities and a discussion of the conclusions of the investigation conducted at the site. In addition, this section shall provide a comparison of the results to applicable cleanup or screening levels, and to relevant historical investigation results and analytical data. Potential receptors, including groundwater, shall be identified and discussed. An explanation shall be provided with regard to data gaps. A risk assessment may be included as an appendix to the investigation report; however, the risk assessment shall be presented in the Risk Assessment format described in Permit Section 8.14.4. References to the risk assessment shall be presented only in the summary and conclusions sections of the Investigation Report.

#### 8.14.2.11. Recommendations

A section shall discuss the need for further investigation, corrective measures, risk assessment and monitoring, or recommendations for corrective action completed, based on the conclusions provided in the Conclusions section. It shall include explanations regarding additional sampling, monitoring, and site closure. A corresponding schedule for further action regarding the site shall also be provided. No action recommendations shall include the anticipated schedule for submittal of a petition for a permit modification.

#### 8.14.2.12. Tables

A section shall provide the following summary tables as applicable. With prior approval from NMED, the Permittees may combine one or more of the tables. Data presented in the tables shall include the current data, dates of data collection, analytical methods, detection limits, and significant data quality exceptions. The summary analytical data tables shall include only detected analytes and data quality exceptions that could potentially mask detections.

1. Tables summarizing regulatory criteria, background levels, and applicable cleanup levels (this information may be included in the analytical data tables instead of as separate tables).
2. Tables summarizing field survey location data. Separate tables shall be prepared for well locations and individual medium sampling locations except where the locations are the same for more than one medium.
3. Tables summarizing field screening and field parameter measurements of soil, rock, sediments, groundwater, surface water, and air quality data.
4. A table summarizing soil, rock, and/or sediment laboratory analytical data. It shall include the analytical methods, detection limits, and significant data quality exceptions that would influence interpretation of the data.
5. A table summarizing the groundwater elevations and depths to groundwater. The table shall include the monitoring well depths and the screened intervals in each well.
6. A table summarizing the groundwater laboratory analytical data. The analytical data tables shall include the analytical methods, detection limits, and significant data quality exceptions that would influence interpretation of the data.

7. A table summarizing the surface water laboratory analytical data. The analytical data tables shall include the analytical methods, detection limits, and significant data quality exceptions that would influence interpretation of the data.
8. A table summarizing the air sample screening and laboratory analytical data. The data tables shall include the screening instruments used, laboratory analytical methods, detection limits, and significant data quality exceptions that would influence interpretation of the data.
9. Tables summarizing the pilot test data, if applicable, including units of measurement and types of instruments used to obtain measurements.
10. A table summarizing any materials test data.

#### 8.14.2.13. Figures

A section shall provide the following figures as applicable. All figures shall include an accurate bar scale and a north arrow. An explanation shall be provided on each figure for all abbreviations, symbols, acronyms, and qualifiers. All maps shall have a date.

1. A vicinity map showing topography and the general location of the subject site relative to surrounding features and properties.
2. A site plan that presents any pertinent site features and structures, underground utilities, well locations, and remediation system location(s) and details. Off-site well locations and other relevant features shall be included on the site plan. Additional site plans may be required to present the locations of relevant off-site well locations, structures and features.
3. Figures showing boring or excavation locations and sampling locations.
4. Figures presenting soil sample field screening and laboratory analytical data.
5. Figures displaying the locations of all newly installed and existing wells and borings.
6. Figures presenting monitoring well and piezometer locations, groundwater elevation data, and groundwater flow directions.

7. Figures presenting groundwater laboratory analytical data, including any past data requested by NMED. The laboratory analytical data corresponding to each sampling location may be presented in table form on the figure or as an isoconcentration map.
8. Figures presenting surface water sample locations and field measurement data including any past data requested by NMED.
9. Figures presenting surface water laboratory analytical data including any past data requested by NMED. The laboratory analytical data corresponding to each sampling location may be presented in table form on the figure.
10. Figures showing air sampling locations and presenting air quality. The field screening or laboratory analytical data corresponding to each sampling location may be presented in table form on the figure or as an isoconcentration map.
11. Figures presenting geologic cross-sections based on outcrop and borehole data.
12. Figures presenting pilot test locations and data, where applicable, including site plans or graphic data presentation.

#### 8.14.2.14. Appendices

Each investigation report shall include the following appendices. Additional appendices may be necessary to present data or documentation not listed below.

##### a. Field Methods

An appendix shall provide detailed descriptions of the methods used to acquire field measurements of each medium that was surveyed or tested during the investigation. This appendix shall include exploratory drilling or excavation methods, the methods and types of instruments used to obtain field screening, field analytical or field parameter measurements, instrument calibration procedures, sampling methods for each medium investigated, decontamination procedures, sample handling procedures, documentation procedures, and a description of field conditions that affected procedural or sample testing results. Methods of measuring and sampling during pilot tests shall be reported in this appendix, if applicable. Geophysical logging methods shall be discussed in a separate section of this appendix. IDW storage and disposal methods shall also be discussed in this appendix. Copies

of IDW disposal documentation shall be provided in a separate appendix.

b. Boring/Test Pit Logs and Well Construction Diagrams

An appendix shall provide boring logs, test pit logs, or other excavation logs, and well construction details. In addition, a key to symbols and a soil or rock classification system shall be included in this appendix. Geophysical logs shall be provided in a separate section of this appendix.

c. Analytical Programs

An appendix shall discuss the analytical methods, a summary of data quality objectives, and the data quality review procedures. A summary of data quality exceptions and their effect on the acceptability of the field and laboratory analytical data with regard to the investigation and the site status shall be included in this appendix along with references to the case narratives provided in the laboratory reports.

d. Analytical Reports

An appendix shall provide the contract laboratory final analytical data reports generated for the investigation. The reports shall include all chain-of-custody records and Level II QA/QC results provided by the laboratory. The final laboratory reports and data tables shall be provided electronically in a format approved by NMED. Paper copies (or electronically scanned in PDF format) of all chain-of-custody records shall be provided with the reports.

e. Other Appendices

Other appendices containing additional information shall be included as required by NMED or as otherwise appropriate.

### 8.14.3. Periodic Monitoring Report

The Permittees shall use the following guidance for preparing periodic monitoring reports. The reports shall present the reporting of periodic groundwater, surface water, vapor, and remediation system monitoring at the facility. The following sections provide a general outline for monitoring reports, and also provide the minimum requirements for reporting for specific facility sites, areas, and regional monitoring. All data collected during each monitoring and sampling event in the reporting period shall be included in the reports. In general, interpretation of data shall be presented only in the background, conclusions, and recommendations sections of the reports. The other text sections of the reports shall be reserved for presentation of facts and data without interpretation or qualifications.

8.14.3.1. Title Page

The title page shall include the type of document; facility name; area designation; SWMU or AOC name, site, watershed, and any other unit name; and the submittal date. A signature block providing spaces for the name and title of the responsible facility representatives shall be provided on the title page in accordance with 20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §270.11(d)(1)).

8.14.3.2. Executive Summary (Abstract)

The executive summary or abstract shall provide a brief summary of the purpose, scope, and results of the monitoring conducted at the subject site during the reporting period. The area (e.g., Plume-front, facility-wide) SWMU, AOC and site name, location, and/or area designation shall be included in the executive summary. In addition, this section shall include a brief summary of conclusions based on the monitoring data collected.

8.14.3.3. Table of Contents

The table of contents shall list all text sections, subsections, tables, figures, and appendices or attachments included in the report. The corresponding page numbers for the titles of each section of the report shall be included in the table of contents.

8.14.3.4. Introduction

The introduction section shall include the facility name, area designation physical area and/or, unit location, and unit status as applicable (e.g. closed, corrective action). General information on the site usage and status shall be included in this section. A brief description of the purpose of the monitoring, type of monitoring conducted, and the type of results presented in the report also shall be provided in this section.

8.14.3.5. Scope of Activities

A section on the scope of activities shall briefly describe all activities performed during the monitoring event or reporting period including field data collection, analytical testing, remediation system monitoring, if applicable, and purge/decontamination water storage and disposal.

8.14.3.6. Regulatory Criteria

A section on regulatory criteria shall provide information regarding applicable cleanup standards, risk-based screening levels and risk-based cleanup goals for the subject site. A separate table summarizing the applicable screening levels or standards or inclusion of the applicable

cleanup standards or screening levels in the data tables can be substituted for this section. The appropriate cleanup or screening levels for each site shall be included, if site-specific levels have been established at separate sites. Risk-based evaluation procedures, if used to calculate cleanup or screening levels, must either be included as an attachment or referenced. The specific document and page numbers must be included for all referenced materials.

#### 8.14.3.7. Monitoring Results

A section shall provide a summary of the results of monitoring conducted at the site. This section shall include the dates and times that monitoring was conducted, the measured depths to groundwater, directions of groundwater flow, field air and water quality measurements, contaminant surveys, static pressures, field measurements, and a comparison to previous monitoring results. Field observations or conditions that may influence the results of monitoring shall be reported in this section. Tables summarizing vapor-monitoring parameters, groundwater elevations, depths to groundwater measurements, and other field measurements can be substituted for this section. The tables shall include all information required in Permit Section 8.14.3.11.

#### 8.14.3.8. Analytical Data Results

A section shall discuss the results of the chemical analyses. It shall provide the dates of sampling, the analytical methods, and the analytical results. It shall also provide a comparison of the data to previous results and to background levels, cleanup standards, or established cleanup levels for the site. The rationale or purpose for altering or modifying the monitoring and sampling program shall be provided in this section. A table summarizing the laboratory analytical data, QA/QC data, applicable cleanup levels, and modifications to the sampling program can be substituted for this section. The tables shall include all information required in Permit Section 8.14.3.11.

#### 8.14.3.9. Remediation System Monitoring

A section shall discuss the remediation system monitoring. It shall summarize the remediation system's capabilities and performance. It shall also provide monitoring data, treatment system discharge sampling requirements, and system influent and effluent sample analytical results. The dates of operation, system failures, and modifications made to the remediation system during the reporting period shall also be included in this section. A summary table may be substituted for this section. The tables shall include all information required in Permit Section 8.14.3.11.

#### 8.14.3.10. Summary

A summary section shall provide a discussion and conclusions of the monitoring conducted at the site. In addition, this section shall provide a comparison of the results to applicable cleanup levels, and to relevant historical monitoring and laboratory analytical data. An explanation shall be provided with regard to data gaps. A discussion of remediation system performance, monitoring results, modifications, if applicable, and compliance with discharge requirements shall be provided in this section. Recommendations and explanations regarding future monitoring, remedial actions, or site closure, if applicable, shall also be included in this section.

#### 8.14.3.11. Tables

A section shall provide the following summary tables for the media sampled. With prior approval from NMED, the Permittees may combine one or more of the tables. Data presented in the tables shall include the current sampling and monitoring data plus data from the three previous monitoring events or, if data from less than three monitoring events is available, data acquired during previous investigations. Remediation system monitoring data also shall be presented. The dates of data collection shall be included in the tables. Summary tables may be substituted for portions of the text. The analytical data tables shall include only detected analytes and data quality exceptions that could potentially mask detections.

1. A table summarizing the regulatory criteria (a Regulatory Criteria text section may be substituted for this table or the applicable cleanup levels may be included in the analytical data tables).
2. A table summarizing groundwater elevations and depths to groundwater data. The table shall include the monitoring well depths, the screened intervals in each well, and the dates and times of measurements.
3. A table summarizing field measurements of surface water quality data.
4. A table summarizing field measurements of vapor monitoring data (must include historical vapor monitoring data as described above).
5. A table summarizing field measurements of groundwater quality data (must include historical water quality data as described above).



6. A table summarizing vapor sample analytical data (must include historical vapor sample analytical data as described above).
7. A table summarizing surface water analytical data (must include historical surface water analytical data as described above).
8. A table summarizing groundwater analytical data (must include historical groundwater analytical data as described above).
9. A table summarizing remediation system monitoring data, if applicable

#### 8.14.3.12. Figures

The section shall include the following figures. All figures shall include an accurate bar scale and a north arrow. An explanation shall be provided on each figure for all abbreviations, symbols, acronyms, and qualifiers. All figures shall have a date.

1. A vicinity map showing topography and the general location of the subject site relative to surrounding features or properties.
2. A site plan that presents pertinent site features and structures, well and piezometer locations, and remediation system location(s) and features. Off-site well locations and pertinent features shall be included on the site plan, if practical. Additional site plans may be required to present the locations of relevant off-site well locations, structures, and features.
3. Figures presenting the locations of piezometer, monitoring and other well locations, groundwater elevation data, and groundwater flow directions.
4. Figures presenting groundwater analytical data for the current monitoring event. The analytical data corresponding to each sampling location may be presented as individual concentrations or in table form on the figure or as an isoconcentration map.
5. Figures presenting surface water sampling locations and analytical data for the current monitoring period if applicable.
6. Figures presenting vapor sampling locations and analytical data for the current monitoring event if applicable. The analytical data corresponding to each sampling location may be presented as individual concentrations or in table form on the figure or as an isoconcentration map.

7. Figures presenting geologic cross-sections based on outcrop and borehole data, if applicable.

#### 8.14.3.13. Appendices

Each monitoring report shall include the following appendices. Additional appendices may be necessary to present data or documentation not listed below.

- a. Field Methods

An appendix shall include the methods used to acquire field measurements of groundwater elevations, vapor and water quality data, and vapor, surface water and groundwater samples. It shall include the methods and types of instruments used to measure depths to water, air or headspace parameters, flow measurements, and water quality parameters. In addition, decontamination, well purging techniques, well sampling techniques, and sample handling procedures shall be provided in this appendix. Methods of measuring and sampling remediation systems shall be reported in this appendix, if applicable. Purge and decontamination water storage and disposal methods shall also be presented in this appendix. Copies of purge and decontamination water disposal documentation shall be provided in a separate appendix, if applicable.

- b. Analytical Programs

An appendix shall discuss the analytical program. It shall include the analytical methods, a summary of data quality objectives, and data quality review procedures. A summary of data quality exceptions and their effect on the acceptability of the analytical data with regard to the monitoring event and the site status shall be included in this appendix along with references to case narratives provided in the laboratory reports.

- c. Analytical Reports

An appendix shall provide the analytical reports and shall include the contract laboratory final chemical analytical data reports generated during this reporting period. The reports must include all chain-of-custody records and Level II QA/QC results provided by the laboratory. The laboratory final reports and data tables shall be provided electronically in a format approved by NMED. Paper copies (or electronically scanned in PDF format) of all chain-of-custody records shall be provided with the reports.

#### 8.14.4. Risk Assessment Report

The Permittees shall prepare risk assessment reports for sites requiring corrective action at the facility using the format listed below. This section provides a general outline for risk assessments and also lists the minimum requirements for describing risk assessment elements. In general, interpretation of data shall be presented only in the Background, Conceptual Site Model, and Conclusions and Recommendations Sections of the reports. The other text sections of the Risk Assessment report shall be reserved for presentation of sampling results from all investigations, conceptual and mathematical elements of the risk assessment, and presentations of toxicity information and screening values used in the risk assessment. Permit Section 8.14.4.8 and subsequent sections should be presented in separate sections for the human health and ecological risk assessments, but the general risk assessment outline applicable to both sections is provided below.

##### 8.14.4.1. Title Page

The title page shall include the type of document; facility name; area designation; SWMU or AOC name, site, and any other unit name; and the submittal date. A signature block providing spaces for the name and title of the responsible facility representative shall be provided on the title page in accordance with 20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §270.11(d)(1)).

##### 8.14.4.2. Executive Summary (Abstract)

The executive summary or abstract section shall provide a brief summary of the purpose and scope of the risk assessment of the subject site. The Executive Summary shall also briefly summarize the conclusions of the risk assessment. The facility, SWMU, AOC, and site names; location; and area designation shall be included in the executive summary.

##### 8.14.4.3. Table of Contents

The table of contents shall list all text sections, subsections, tables, figures, and appendices or attachments included in the risk assessment. The corresponding page numbers for the titles of each unit of the report shall be included in the table of contents.

##### 8.14.4.4. Introduction

The introduction section shall include the facility name, area designation, unit location, and unit status (e.g., closed, corrective action). General information on the current site usage and status shall be included in this section.

#### 8.14.4.5. Background

The background section shall describe relevant background information. This section shall briefly summarize historical site uses by the U.S. Government and any other entity, including the locations of current and former site structures and features. A labeled figure shall be included in the document showing the locations of current and former site structures and features.

##### a. Site Description

A section shall describe current site topography, features and structures including topographic drainages, man-made drainages, erosional features, current site uses, and other data relevant to assessing risk at the site. Depth to groundwater and direction of groundwater flow shall be included in this section. The presence and location of surface water bodies such as any springs or wetlands shall be noted in this section. Photographs of the site may be incorporated into this section. Ecological features of the site shall be described here, including type and amount of vegetative cover, observed and expected wildlife receptors, and level of disturbance of the site. A topographical map of the site and vicinity of the site showing habitat types, boundaries of each habitat, and any surface water features shall be included in the Figures section of the document.

##### b. Sampling Results

A section shall discuss the results of the sampling at the site. It shall include a description of the history of releases of contaminants, the known and possible sources of contamination, and the vertical and lateral extent of contamination present in each medium. This section shall include summaries of sampling results of all investigations including site plans (included in the Figures section of the report) showing locations of detected contaminants. This section shall reference pertinent figures, data summary tables, and references in previous reports. References to previous reports shall include page, table, and figure numbers for referenced information. Summaries of sampling data shall include for each constituent: the maximum value detected, the detection limit, the 95 percent upper confidence level (UCL) of the mean value detected (if applicable to the data set), and whether the 95 percent UCL of the mean was calculated based on a normal or lognormal distribution. Background values used for comparison to inorganic constituents at the site shall be presented here. The table of background values should appear in the Tables section of the

document and include actual values used as well as the origin of the values (e.g. facility-wide, UCL, upper tolerance level (UTL)). This section shall also include a discussion of how “non-detect” sample results were handled in the averaging of data.

#### 8.14.4.6. Conceptual Site Model

A section shall present the conceptual site model. It shall include information on the expected fate and transport of contaminants detected at the site. This section shall provide a list of all sources of contamination at the site. Sources that are no longer considered to be ongoing but represent the point of origination for contaminants transported to other locations shall be included. The discussion of fate and transport shall address potential migration of each contaminant in each medium, potential breakdown products and their migration, and anticipated pathways of exposure for human or ecological receptors. Diagrammatic representations of the conceptual site model shall appear in the Figures section of the document.

For human health risk assessments, the conceptual site model shall include the current and reasonably foreseeable future land use and residential land use for all risk assessments. All values for exposure parameters and the source of those values shall be included in table format and presented in the Tables section of the document.

Conceptual site models presented for ecological risk assessments shall identify assessment endpoints and measurement receptors for the site. The discussion of the model shall explain how the measurement receptors for the site are protective of the wildlife receptors identified by the Permittees in the Site Description section (see Permit Section 8.14.4.5.a).

#### 8.14.4.7. Risk Screening Levels

A section shall present the actual screening values used for each contaminant for comparison to all human health and ecological risk screening levels. NMED’s Soil Screening Levels (**SSLs**) for residential and industrial soil shall be used to screen soil for human health using EPA’s *Risk Assessment Guidance for Superfund (RAGS), Volume I, Part A, 1989* as updated. For those contaminants not appearing on NMED’s SSL table, the EPA Region 6 soil screening value adjusted to meet NMED’s risk goal of  $10^{-5}$  for total risk for carcinogens shall be used to screen the site for human health risks. Screening for ecological risk shall be conducted using EPA’s ECO-SSLs, or derive a screening level using the methodology in NMED’s *Guidance for Assessing Ecological Risks Posed by Chemicals: Screening–Level Ecological Risk Assessment* (July 2008, as updated). If no valid toxicological studies exist for a particular

receptor or contaminant, the contaminant/receptor combination shall be addressed using qualitative methods. If a NMED approved site-specific risk scenario is used for the human health risk assessment, this section shall include all toxicity information and exposure assessment equations used for the site-specific scenario as well as the sources for that information. Other regulatory levels applicable to screening the site, such as drinking water MCLs, shall also be included in this section.

8.14.4.8. Risk Assessment Results

A section shall present all risk values, hazard quotients (**HQs**), and HIs for human health based on current and reasonably foreseeable future land use. Where the current or reasonably foreseeable future land use is not residential, risk values, HQs, and HIs for a residential land use scenario shall also be calculated and reported. The residential scenario shall be used for comparison purposes only, unless the land use becomes residential. This section shall also present the HQ and HI for each contaminant for each ecological receptor.

a. Uncertainty Analysis

A section shall include discussion of qualitative, semi-quantitative, and quantitative uncertainty in the risk assessment and estimate the potential impact of the various uncertainties.

8.14.4.9. Conclusions and Recommendations

A section shall include the interpretation of the results of the risk assessment and any recommendations for future disposition of the site. This section may include additional information and considerations that the Permittees believe are relevant to the analysis of the site.

8.14.4.10. Tables

A section shall provide the following summary tables, as appropriate. With prior approval from NMED, the Permittees may combine one or more of the tables. Data presented in the summary tables shall include information on detection limits and significant data quality exceptions. The analytical data tables shall include only detected analytes and data quality exceptions that could potentially mask detections.

1. A table presenting background values used for comparison to inorganic constituents at the site. The table shall include actual values used as well as the origin of the values (facility-wide, UCL, UTL, or maximum).

2. A table summarizing sampling data shall include, for each constituent, all detected values above background, the maximum value detected, the 95 percent UCL of the mean value detected (if applicable to the data set), and whether that 95 percent UCL of the mean was calculated based on a normal or lognormal distribution.
3. A table of all screening values used and the sources of those values.
4. A table presenting all risk values, HQs, and HIs under current and reasonably foreseeable future land use for human health.
5. If residential use is not a current or reasonably foreseeable future land use, a table presenting all risk values, HQs, and HIs under a residential land use scenario for human health shall be included for comparison purposes.
6. A table presenting the HQ and HI for each contaminant for each ecological receptor.
7. A table presenting values for exposure parameters and the source of the values.

#### 8.14.4.11. Figures

A section shall present the following figures for each site, as appropriate. With prior approval from NMED, the Permittees may combine one or more of the figures. All figures shall include an accurate bar scale and a north arrow. An explanation shall be provided on each figure for all abbreviations, symbols, acronyms, and qualifiers.

1. A vicinity map showing topography and the general location of the subject site relative to surrounding features or properties.
2. For human health risk assessments, a site plan that presents pertinent site features and structures, underground utilities, well locations, and remediation system location(s) and its details. Off-site well locations and other relevant features shall be included on the site plan if practical. Additional site plans may be required to present the locations of relevant off-site well locations, structures, and features.
3. For ecological risk assessments, a topographical map of the site and vicinity of the site showing habitat types, boundaries of each habitat, and any surface water features.

4. Conceptual site model diagrams for both human health and ecological risk assessments.

#### 8.14.4.12. Appendices

Each risk assessment report shall include appendices containing supporting data. Appendices may include the results of statistical analyses of data sets and comparisons of data, full sets of results of all sampling investigations at the site, or other data as appropriate.

#### 8.14.5. Corrective Measures Evaluation Report

The Permittees shall prepare corrective measures evaluations for sites requiring corrective measures using the format listed below. This section provides a general outline for corrective measures evaluations and also lists the minimum requirements for describing corrective measures when preparing these documents. All investigation summaries, site condition descriptions, corrective action goals, corrective action options, remedial options selection criteria, and schedules shall be included in the corrective measures evaluations. In general, interpretation of historical investigation data and discussions of prior interim activities shall be presented only in the background sections of the corrective measures evaluations. At a minimum, detections of contaminants encountered during previous site investigations shall be presented in the corrective measures evaluations in table format with an accompanying site plan showing sample locations. The other text sections of the corrective measures evaluations shall be reserved for presentation of corrective action-related information regarding anticipated or potential site-specific corrective action options and methods relevant to the project. The general corrective measures evaluation outline is provided below.

##### 8.14.5.1. Title Page

The title page shall include the type of document; facility name; area designation; SWMU or AOC name, site, and any other unit name; and the submittal date. A signature block providing spaces for the name and title of the responsible facility representative shall be provided on the title page in accordance with 20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §270.11(d)(1)).

##### 8.14.5.2. Executive Summary (Abstract)

This executive summary or abstract shall provide a brief summary of the purpose and scope of the corrective measures evaluation to be conducted at the subject site. The executive summary or abstract shall also briefly summarize the conclusions of the evaluation. The SWMU, AOC, and site names, location, and area designation shall be included in the executive summary.



8.14.5.3. Table of Contents

The table of contents shall list all text sections, subsections, tables, figures, and appendices or attachments included in the corrective measures evaluation. The corresponding page numbers for the titles of each section of the report shall be included in the table of contents.

8.14.5.4. Introduction

The Introduction section shall include the facility name, area designation, site location, and site status (e.g. closed, corrective action). General information on the current site usage and status shall be included in this section. A brief description of the purpose of the corrective measures evaluation and the corrective action objectives for the project also shall be provided in this section.

8.14.5.5. Background

The Background section shall describe the relevant background information. This section shall briefly summarize historical site uses by the U.S. Government and any other entity, including the locations of current and former site structures and features. A labeled figure shall be included in the document showing the locations of current and former site structures and features. The locations of any subsurface features such as pipelines, underground tanks, utility lines, and other subsurface structures shall be included in this section and labeled on the site plan, as appropriate.

This section shall include contaminant and waste characteristics, a brief summary of the history of contaminant releases, known and possible sources of contamination, and the vertical and lateral extent of contamination present in each medium. This section shall include brief summaries of results of previous investigations, including references to pertinent figures, data summary tables, and text in previous reports. References to previous reports shall include page, table, and figure numbers for referenced information. Summary tables and site plans showing relevant investigation locations shall be referenced and included in the Tables and Figures sections of the document, respectively.

8.14.5.6. Site Conditions

a. Surface Conditions

A section on surface conditions shall describe current and historic site topography, features, and structures, including a description of topographic drainages, man-made drainages, vegetation, and erosional features. It shall also include a description of current

uses of the site and any current operations at the site. This section shall also include a description of those features that could potentially influence corrective action option selection or implementation such as archeological sites, wetlands, or other features that may affect remedial activities. In addition, descriptions of features located in surrounding sites that may have an effect on the subject site regarding sediment transport, surface water runoff or contaminant transport shall be included in this section. A site plan displaying the locations of all pertinent surface features and structures shall be included in the Figures section of the corrective measures evaluation.

b. Subsurface Conditions

A section on subsurface conditions shall describe the site conditions observed during previous subsurface investigations. It shall include relevant soil horizon and stratigraphic information, groundwater conditions, fracture data, and subsurface vapor information. A site plan displaying the locations of all borings and excavations advanced during previous investigations shall be included in the Figures section of the corrective measures evaluation. A brief description of the stratigraphic units anticipated to be present beneath the site may be included in this section if stratigraphic information is not available from previous investigations conducted at the site.

8.14.5.7. Potential Receptors

a. Sources

A section shall provide a list of all sources of contamination at the subject site where corrective measures are to be considered or required. Sources that are no longer considered to be releasing contaminants at the site, but may be the point of origination for contaminants transported to other locations, shall be included in this section.

b. Pathways

A section shall describe potential migration pathways that could result in either acute or chronic exposures to contaminants. It shall include such pathways as utility trenches, paleochannels, surface exposures, surface drainages, stratigraphic units, fractures, structures, and other features. The migration pathways for each contaminant and each relevant medium should be tied to the potential receptors for each pathway. A discussion of contaminant

characteristics relating to fate and transport of contaminants through each pathway shall also be included in this section.

c. Receptors

A section shall provide a listing and description of all anticipated potential receptors that could possibly be affected by the contamination present at the site. Potential receptors shall include human and ecological receptors, groundwater, and other features such as pathways that could divert or accelerate the transport of contamination to human receptors, ecological receptors, and groundwater.

8.14.5.8. Regulatory Criteria

A section shall set forth the applicable cleanup standards, risk-based screening levels, and risk-based cleanup goals for each pertinent medium at the subject site. The appropriate cleanup levels for each site shall be included, if site-specific levels have been established at separate sites or units. A table summarizing the applicable cleanup standards or levels, or inclusion of applicable cleanup standards or levels in the summary data tables shall be included in the Tables section of the document. The risk assessment shall be presented in a separate document or in an appendix to this report. If cleanup or screening levels calculated in a risk evaluation are employed, the risk evaluation document shall be referenced including pertinent page numbers for referenced information.

8.14.5.9. Identification of Corrective Measures Options

A section shall identify and describe potential corrective measures for source, pathway, and receptor controls. Corrective measures options shall include the range of available options including, but not limited to, a no action alternative, institutional controls, engineering controls, in-situ and on-site remediation alternatives, complete removal, and any combination of alternatives that would potentially achieve cleanup goals.

8.14.5.10. Evaluation of Corrective Measures Options

A section shall provide an evaluation of the corrective measures options identified in Permit Section 8.14.5.9. The evaluation shall be based on the applicability, technical feasibility, effectiveness, implementability, impacts to human health and the environment, and cost of each option. A table summarizing the corrective measures alternatives and the criteria listed below shall be included in the Tables section of this document. The general basis for evaluation of corrective measures options is defined below.

a. Applicability

Applicability addresses the overall suitability for the corrective action option for containment or remediation of the contaminants in the subject medium for protection of human health and the environment.

b. Technical Practicability

Technical practicability describes the uncertainty in designing, constructing, and operating a specific remedial alternative. The description shall include an evaluation of historical applications of the remedial alternative including performance, reliability, and minimization of hazards.

c. Effectiveness

Effectiveness assesses the ability of the corrective measure to mitigate the measured or potential impact of contamination in a medium under the current and projected site conditions. The assessment also shall include the anticipated duration for the technology to attain regulatory compliance. In general, all corrective measures described above will have the ability to mitigate the impacts of contamination at the site, but not all remedial options will be equally effective at achieving the desired cleanup goals to the degree and within the same time frame as other options. Each remedy shall be evaluated for both short-term and long-term effectiveness.

d. Implementability

Implementability characterizes the degree of difficulty involved during the installation, construction, and operation of the corrective measure. Operation and maintenance of the alternative shall be addressed in this section.

e. Human Health and Ecological Protectiveness

This category evaluates the short-term (remedy installation-related) and long-term (remedy operation-related) hazards to human health and the environment of implementing the corrective measure. The assessment shall include whether the technology will create a hazard or increase existing hazards and the possible methods of hazard reduction.

f. Cost

This section shall discuss the anticipated cost of implementing the corrective measure. The costs shall be divided into: 1) capital costs associated with construction, installation, pilot testing, evaluation, permitting, and reporting of the effectiveness of the alternative; and 2) continuing costs associated with operating, maintaining, monitoring, testing, and reporting on the use and effectiveness of the technology.

8.14.5.11. Selection of Preferred Corrective Measure

The Permittees shall propose the preferred corrective measure(s) at the site and provide a justification for the selection in this section. The proposal shall be based upon the ability of the remedial alternative to: 1) achieve cleanup objectives in a timely manner; 2) protect human and ecological receptors; 3) control or eliminate the sources of contamination; 4) control migration of released contaminants; and 5) manage remediation waste in accordance with State and Federal regulations. The justification shall include the supporting rationale for the remedy selection, based on the factors listed in Permit Section 8.14.5.10 and a discussion of short- and long-term objectives for the site. The benefits and possible hazards of each potential corrective measure alternative shall be included in this section.

8.14.5.12. Design Criteria to Meet Cleanup Objectives

The Permittees shall present descriptions of the preliminary design for the selected corrective measures in this section. The description shall include appropriate preliminary plans and specifications to effectively illustrate the technology and the anticipated implementation of the remedial option at the subject area. The preliminary design shall include a discussion of the design life of the alternative and provide engineering calculations for proposed remediation systems.

8.14.5.13. Schedule

A section shall set forth a proposed schedule for completion of remedy-related activities such as bench tests, pilot tests, construction, installation, remedial excavation, cap construction, installation of monitoring points, and other remedial actions. The anticipated duration of corrective action operations and the schedule for conducting monitoring and sampling activities shall also be presented. In addition, this section shall provide a schedule for submittal of reports and data to NMED, including a schedule for submitting all status reports and preliminary data.

#### 8.14.5.14. Tables

A section shall present the following summary tables, as appropriate. With prior approval of NMED, the Permittees may combine one or more of the tables. Data presented in the summary tables shall include information on dates of sample collection, analytical methods, detection limits, and significant data quality exceptions. The analytical data tables shall include only detected analytes and data quality exceptions that could potentially mask detections.

1. A table summarizing regulatory criteria, background, and/or the applicable cleanup standards.
2. A table summarizing historical field survey location data.
3. Tables summarizing historical field screening and field parameter measurements of soil, rock, sediments, groundwater, surface water, and air quality data.
4. Tables summarizing historical soil, rock, or sediment laboratory analytical data. The summary tables shall include the analytical methods, detection limits, and significant data quality exceptions that would influence interpretation of the data.
5. A table summarizing historical groundwater elevation and depth to groundwater data. The table shall include the monitoring well depths and the screened intervals in each well.
6. Tables summarizing historical groundwater laboratory analytical data. The analytical data tables shall include the analytical methods, detection limits, and significant data quality exceptions that would influence interpretation of the data.
7. Tables summarizing historical surface water laboratory analytical data if applicable. The analytical data tables shall include the analytical methods, detection limits, and significant data quality exceptions that would influence interpretation of the data.
8. Tables summarizing historical air sample screening and analytical data. The data tables shall include the screening instruments used, laboratory analytical methods, detection limits, and significant data quality exceptions that would influence interpretation of the data.
9. Tables summarizing historical pilot or other test data, if applicable, including units of measurement and types of instruments used to obtain measurements.

10. A table summarizing the corrective measures alternatives and evaluation criteria.
11. A table presenting the schedule for installation, construction, implementation, and reporting of selected corrective measures.

#### 8.14.5.15. Figures

A section shall present the following figures for each site, as appropriate. All figures must include an accurate bar scale and a north arrow. An explanation shall be provided on each figure for all abbreviations, symbols, acronyms, and qualifiers. All figures shall have a date.

1. A vicinity map showing topography and the general location of the subject site relative to surrounding features or properties.
2. A unit site plan that presents pertinent site features and structures, underground utilities, well locations, and remediation system locations and details. Off-site well locations and other relevant features shall be included on the site plan if practical. Additional site plans may be required to present the locations of relevant off-site well locations, structures, and features.
3. Figures showing historical soil boring or excavation locations and sampling locations.
4. Figures presenting historical soil sample field screening and laboratory analytical data, if appropriate.
5. Figures showing all existing wells including vapor monitoring wells and piezometers. The figures shall present historical groundwater elevation data and indicate groundwater flow directions.
6. Figures presenting historical groundwater laboratory analytical data including past data, if applicable. The analytical data corresponding to each sampling location may be presented as individual concentrations, in table form on the figure or as an isoconcentration map.
7. Figures presenting historical surface water sample locations and analytical data including past data, if applicable. The laboratory analytical data corresponding to each sampling location may be presented as individual concentrations or in table form on the figure.

8. Figures presenting historical air sampling locations and presenting air quality data. The field screening or laboratory analytical data corresponding to each sampling location may be presented as individual concentrations, in table form on the figure or as an isoconcentration map.
9. Figures presenting historical pilot or other test locations and data, where applicable, including site plans or graphic data presentation.
10. Figures presenting geologic cross-sections based on outcrop and borehole data, if applicable.
11. Figures presenting the locations of existing and proposed remediation systems.
12. Figures presenting existing remedial system design and construction details.
13. Figures presenting preliminary design and construction details for preferred corrective measures.

#### 8.14.5.16. Appendices

Each corrective measures evaluation shall include, as appropriate, as an appendix, the management plan for waste, including investigation derived waste, generated as a result of construction, installation, or operation of remedial systems or activities conducted. Each corrective measures evaluation shall include additional appendices presenting relevant additional data, such as pilot or other test or investigation data, remediation system design specifications, system performance data, or cost analyses as necessary.

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