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The Hazardous Waste Bureau received a phone call at 10:20 a.m. this morning from Judy McLemore, NWP, notifying that the WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Contingency Plan (Attachment D) has been invoked.

The Contingency Plan was invoked at 10:03 a.m. this morning. Ms. McLemore has been contacting all of the appropriate entities in the Contingency Plan –
- Carlsbad Police Department
- Carlsbad Fire Department
- Eddy County Sheriff
- Hobbs Fire Department
- New Mexico DPS
- National Response Center
- NMED

The Contingency Plan (Attachment D, D-4a(3) Notification of Local, State and Federal Authorities) requires (with response information):

The first notification of public safety and regulatory agencies will include the following:

The name and address of the facility and the name and phone number of the reporter
Waste Isolation Pilot Plant Facility
26 miles east of Carlsbad
Eddy County
Judy McLemore, NWP, at phone number (575) 302-8317

The type of incident (fire, explosion, or release)
Radioactive release
The date and time of the incident
February 14, 2014 at 11:30 p.m.
They are not in an emergency situation at this time. The Facility invoked the Contingency Plan to aid in the recovery operations.

The type and quantity of material(s) involved, to the extent known
Transuranic (TRU) mixed waste
Quantity unknown at this time

The exact location of the incident
The WIPP underground Hazardous Waste Disposal Unit

The source of the incident
To be determined

The extent of injuries, if any
None

Possible hazards to human health and the environment (air, soil, water, wildlife, etc.) outside the facility
None

The name, address, and telephone number of the party in charge of or responsible for the facility or activity associated with the incident
Robert L. McQuinn, Project Manager, NWP, LLC
(575) 234-7400

The name and the phone number of the RCRA Emergency Coordinator
Mark Long
(575) 234-8276

The identity of any surface and/or groundwater involved or threatened and the extent of actual and potential water pollution
None.

The steps being taken or proposed to contain and clean up the material involved in the incident
Following the assessment of the extent underground which will occur tomorrow morning (Saturday) a plan to decontaminate and recover affected areas and equipment will be developed and implemented as needed.