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**RE: NMED REVIEW OF FINAL AUDIT REPORT,
HANFORD SITE/CENTRAL CHARACTERIZATION PROJECT AUDIT A-14-16
WASTE ISOLATION PILOT PLANT
EPA I.D. NUMBER NM4890139088**

Dear Messrs. Franco and McQuinn:

On June 5, 2014, The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) received the Final Audit Report of the Hanford Site/Central Characterization Project (Hanford/CCP) Audit Number A-14-16 (Audit Report), from the Department of Energy's Carlsbad Field Office (CBFO). CBFO and Nuclear Waste Partnership, LLC (the Permittees) were required to submit this Audit Report under the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) Hazardous Waste Facility Permit as specified in Permit Section 2.3.2.3. The intended scope of this final audit was to ensure the adequacy, implementation, and effectiveness of the Hanford/CCP waste characterization processes for contact-handled (CH) Summary Category Groups (SCGs) S3000 homogeneous solids and S5000 debris wastes, relative to the WIPP Permit.

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