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Subject: Surveillance Report S-15-17, NWP Emergency Management (Drill) Exercise

Dear Mr. Cannon:

Enclosed is the report for Carlsbad Field Office Surveillance S-15-17, Nuclear Waste Partnership LLC (NWP) Emergency Management Exercise (Drill). The surveillance was performed February 17-18, 2015 and concluded on March 2, 2015, at the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) near Carlsbad, New Mexico. As described in detail in the report, the surveillance team concluded that the activities evaluated are adequate, effective, and satisfactory for compliance with applicable upper-tier requirements and related WIPP procedures.

The team identified no conditions adverse to quality during the surveillance regarding emergency management reporting of findings and opportunities for improvement in the WIPP Form database.

If you have any questions concerning the surveillance, please contact me at (575) 234-7476.

Sincerely,

Michael R. Brown, Director
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CBFO SURVEILLANCE REPORT

Surveillance Number: S-15-17  Date of Surveillance: February 17-18, 2015; March 2, 2015

Surveillance Title: NWP Emergency Management Exercise (Drill)

Organization: Nuclear Waste Partnership LLC (NWP)

Surveillance Team:
- Martin P. Navarrete  Carlsbad Field Office (CBFO) Management Representative
- Paul Gomez  Team Leader, CBFO Technical Assistance Contractor (CTAC)
- Jack Walsh  Team Member, CTAC
- Bob Boyko  Observer, CTAC

Surveillance Scope:

Surveillance S-15-17 was conducted to evaluate and verify the adequacy and implementation of the NWP Emergency Management Exercise (Drill) with respect to processes for reporting findings and observations issued by external agencies since the February 2014 events at the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP). The surveillance team reviewed documentation, conducted personnel interviews, verified the implementation of the WIPP Form (WF) activities since the fire event, and reviewed the effectiveness of applicable NWP plans and procedures.

Program Elements/Criteria Assessed:

- U.S. DOE CBFO Full Scale Exercise After Action Report (Horizon-14, 12-10-14)
- NWP WIPP Forms related to the documents reported since the February 2014 events, including WF14-030-Master for the fire event and WF14-053-Master for the radiation alarm

No conditions adverse to quality, no observations, and no recommendations were identified during the surveillance.

Surveillance Results:

The surveillance team determined that NWP compliance with Emergency Management is adequate, satisfactory in adherence to NWP 13-1, NWP Quality Assurance Program Description, and DOE/CBFO-94-1012, Quality Assurance Program Document, and effective in reporting the findings and opportunities for improvement into the WIPP Form tracking database. A detailed review of the Emergency Management (Drill) program was conducted. No concerns were raised during the surveillance, which was completed the morning of March 2, 2015, with notification to all appropriate management. CBFO Quality Assurance shall monitor the progress of the WIPP Forms reviewed and will
schedule another surveillance in regard to the closure of corrective action plans applicable to the reviews identified in the Program Elements/Criteria Assessed section of this report.

**Condition Adverse to Quality:**

No conditions adverse to quality were identified for this surveillance.

Observations: No observations were identified for this surveillance.

Recommendations: No recommendations were offered as part of this surveillance.

Surveillance Team Leader Signature: [Signature]  
Paul C. Gomez  
Date: 3/3/2015

CBFO QA Director Approval Signature: [Signature]  
Michael R. Brown  
Date: 3/5/2015