Mr. Val Cannon, Manager
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Dear Mr. Cannon:

The Carlsbad Field Office (CBFO) conducted the subject surveillance on March 11-12, 2015 at the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant. Results of the surveillance are provided in the enclosed report. No deficiencies were noted.

If you have any questions or comments concerning Surveillance S-15-38, please contact me at (575) 234-7476.

Sincerely,

Michael R. Brown, Director
Quality Assurance Division

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CBFO SURVEILLANCE REPORT

Surveillance Number: S-15-38  Date of Surveillance: March 11-12, 2015

Surveillance Title: CBFO Oversight of Criticality Control Overpack First Article Inspection at NFT, Inc.

Organization: Nuclear Waste Partnership LLC (NWP)

Surveillance Team:

Bobby Hunt, CBFO Technical Assistance Contractor (CTAC), Team Leader

Surveillance Scope:

The Carlsbad Field Office (CBFO) conducted Surveillance S-15-38 to evaluate the performance and effectiveness of NWP's project oversight of its Criticality Control Overpack (CCO) contractor, NFT, Inc., in compliance with NWP WP 13-QA.49, Rev. 2, Quality Assurance Inspection Plan for the Criticality Control Overpack. The surveillance team observed the contract-required first article inspection of NFT production of NWP Serial # 000716.

Surveillance Results:

NWP awarded part of the CCO subcontract to NFT, Inc., to manufacture 200 of the 1,230 CCO units at their facilities in Carlsbad, NM. NWP conducted the mandatory first article inspection of NWP Serial # 000716 at the commencement of fit-up, welding, dunnage assembly, and final assembly of the unit.

The NWP CCO Inspection Checklist was determined to adequately and correctly document the inspection activities. The items inspected in the checklist were found to be adequate as required by the NWP Quality Assurance Program. No significant issues were identified that will affect or lead to a noncompliant condition impacting final product integrity.

Surveillance Team Leader: Bobby Hunt

Date: 3/19/15

Assistant Manager/Office Director: N/A

Date: ________

CBFO QA Director Approval: Michael R. Brown

Date: 3/19/2015