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To: Ricardo Maestas:

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Dear Mr. Maestas:

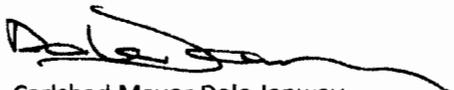
I'm writing in support of the recent Class 2 Permit Modification Request submitted by the Department of Energy's Waste Isolation Pilot Plant regarding the Volatile Organic Compound (VOC) monitoring process. We especially appreciate the opportunities the community was given to make sure we understand these proposed changes.

It is clear that these proposed changes do not reduce or diminish VOC sampling. In fact, these proposed modifications use higher technology sampling equipment, revise the risk calculation formula to one that makes more sense, and add monitoring of TCE to the list of chemical agents.

The proposed monitoring station move makes sense, since this program is designed for workers who work above ground. Furthermore, this permit change will make this move official- as WIPP has already been using this location since last year's radiological incident.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this Class 2 permit modification. I encourage the NMED to quickly approve these proposed changes.

Sincerely,

  
Carlsbad Mayor Dale Janway



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