June 14, 1985

Ms. Denise D. Fort
Director
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Dear Ms. Fort,

Because of the State's concern that DOE might accelerate the schedule for shipment of radioactive waste to WIPP, we included a requirement in the C&C Agreement that DOE notify the State on a quarterly basis of the latest dates. The dates listed in R. G. Romatowski's 5/31/85 letter have been well established and do not represent any changes.

Sincerely,

Robert H. Neill
Director

Providing an independent analysis for the New Mexico Health and Env't of the proposed Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP), a federal nuclear...
Ms. Denise Fort  
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Dear Ms. Fort:

Pursuant to Article IV, K. 11. of the Working Agreement for Consultation and Cooperation on the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) project between the State of New Mexico and the Department of Energy, the following is the quarterly notification of the estimated first shipping dates for each waste form:

- CH-TRU: October 1988
- RH-TRU: January 1989
- DHLW: September 1989

Sincerely,

R. G. Romatowski  
Manager

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ENVIROMENTAL EVALUATION GROUP
Ms. Denise Fort, Chairman
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Dear Ms. Fort:

This is to inform you of the status of the preliminary transportation analysis for Contact-Handled (CH) and Remote-Handled (RH) transuranic (TRU) wastes which will be shipped to the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) near Carlsbad, NM. As mentioned in Ray Romatowski's letter of December 31, 1984 to Dr. Fitzhugh Mullen, these reports were scheduled for transmittal to the State during May, 1985.

Progress on completing these reports has been good. However, the Transportation Assessment and Guidance Report was recently issued as a draft for internal review by the Joint Integration Office. This recent information includes assumptions regarding transportation which are being defined for the waste generators. We intend to review these assumptions in order to assure consistency with analyses performed for waste transportation in New Mexico.

Since it is important that our transportation analyses correlate with analyses being performed for other states through which wastes will be shipped, we consider it prudent to evaluate the new information and resolve any differences at this time. In this way, the analyses provided to the State will be the most current and reasonable assessment of the radiological impacts of the transportation of Transuranic wastes to WIPP.

This activity is projected to delay the issuance of the transportation analyses one month.

In addition, pursuant to paragraph 1 (page 11) of the First Modification, I provide the following estimate of the first shipping date of each waste form:

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If you have any questions concerning the above discussed matters, please feel free to contact the undersigned.

Sincerely

[Signature]

W.R. Cooper
Project Manager

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