Ms. Judith M. Espinosa, Secretary  
State of New Mexico Environment Department  
Harold Runnels Building  
P.O. Box 26110  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87502

Dear Ms. Espinosa:

During the time period of December 8 through December 20, 1993, the U.S. Department of Labor Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) conducted the First Fiscal Year (FY94) Courtesy Assistance Visit (CAV) as specified in the WIPP Land Withdrawal Act. The visit included a comprehensive safety and health inspection and resulted in the issuance of eight Nonpenalty CAV notices. Copies of these CAV notices are enclosed. All of these CAV notices were issued in regard to surface concerns which were immediately abated. No CAV notices were issued regarding the underground facility.

The inspection was performed by Federal MSHA Inspector Leroy Powers.

If you have any questions concerning this subject, please contact L. Bruce Lilly at (505) 234-8136.

Sincerely,

George E. Dials, Manager  
Carlsbad Area Office

Enclosure

cc w/enclosure:  
C&C File  
E. Maestas, CAO-AL  
J. Schinkle, SPD-AL  
B. Lilly, CAO  
S. Warren, WTAC  
P. McCasland, NMED  
J. Garcia, WID
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<td>A 104-8</td>
<td>065 - Backup Generator Room #1</td>
<td>A 480/120/240 VOLT, 3 KVA transformer was protected on the primary side by a 20 AMP circuit breaker which did not protect against excessive overcurrent and overheating.</td>
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CAV-Nonpenalty

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<td>2 - 2½&quot; wide x 3&quot; high door stops were mounted on the outside cement slab. These stops were in a cross travelway and created a tripping hazard.</td>
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**3. Served To**

Bruce Lilly - DOE SF+7

**4. Operator**

DOE

**5. Mine**

WIPP

**7. Violation**

A. Section of Act: 104-46
B. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR: 057.12032

**8. Type of Inspection (activity code)**

065

**9. Primary or Mill**

North Central Office, Trailer Location

**10. Condition**

The cover on transformer TRO-7A was loose and open at the bottom, exposing hot bus about 8 inches behind 3/4 inch openings.

**11. Signature**

Len Powers

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### GAV-Nonpenalty

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Bruce Lilly - DOE SFT7

**4. Operator**

DOE

**5. Mine**

WIPP

**7. Violation**

A. Section of Act: 104-46
B. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR: 057.110411

**8. Type of Inspection (activity code)**

065

**9. Primary or Mill**

Conex building 235-19

**10. Condition**

Steel rods and channel iron were stuck in the aisle walkway and created a tripping hazard.

**11. Signature**

Len Powers

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### CAV-Nonpenalty

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| 2. Event Number: |   |
| 3. Served To: | Bruce Lilly - Safety |
| 4. Operator: | DOE |
| 5. Mine: | WI PP |
| 6. Mine ID: | - |
| 7. Violation: A. Section of Act: | 104-3 |
| 8. Type of Inspection (activity code): | 065 |
| 9. Primary or Mill: | N Main Lunch Room (old Welding Shop) |
| 10. Condition: | An improper circuit breaker hole cover was used in the main distribution panel. |

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**Mine Safety and Health Administration**

**Signatures:**

Levar Powers

AR Number: 11117

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