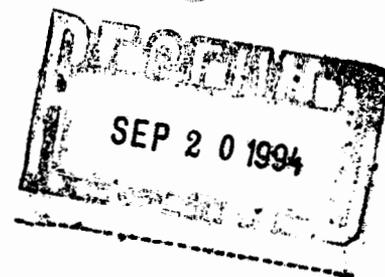




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Dear Mr. Garcia:

Thank you for participating in the initial System Prioritization Method (SPM) Workshop. Your comments from this meeting, as well as from future meetings, will help the Department of Energy (DOE) identify activities such as experiments, models, engineering design, and waste acceptance criteria that will lead to an efficient and cost-effective demonstration of regulatory compliance at the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP).

You are cordially invited to attend the second SPM Workshop on September 28 - 29, 1994, at the Quality Inn, 3706 National Parks Highway, Carlsbad, New Mexico. A block of rooms has been reserved for meeting attendees requiring accommodations. To make reservations call the Quality Inn at (505) 887-2861, and mention you are attending the SPM Workshop.

As shown on the enclosed agenda, this workshop will focus on repository scenario development and salado fluid flow. On the first day, discussions will begin at 10 a.m. and will finish at 5 p.m. On the second day, we will reconvene at 8 a.m. and will adjourn at 2:30 p.m. Enclosed are materials for your review and comment prior to the workshop. Comments should be forwarded to: Mr. Bob Bills, Department of Energy, Carlsbad Area Office, P.O. Box 3090, Carlsbad, NM 88221; Telephone (505) 234-7481; Telefax (505) 234-7430. He would appreciate receiving your comments by September 23, 1994. Please notify Jessica Lloyd at (505) 234-7241, if you will be attending the workshop.

If you do not have budget available to fund your trip to the SPM Workshops, the DOE will reimburse you for transportation, lodging, meals and incidental expenses. Enclosed are travel tips that list allowable expenses and the reimbursement process.



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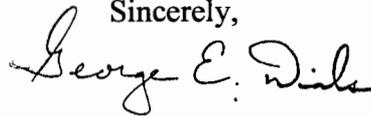
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Three additional workshops will be held. Planned dates and topics are:

| Date(s) | Topics |
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| • October 27-28, 1994 | Rock Mechanics; Disposal Room Modeling; Repository Sealing. |
| • December 1-2, 1994 | Radionuclide Source Term; Hazardous Constituents; Gas Generation. |
| • January 9, 1995 | Non-Salado Fluid Flow. |

I look forward to seeing you at the September SPM Workshop.

Sincerely,



George E. Dials
Manager

Enclosures (5)