



MEMO

TO: Barbara Hoditschek
FROM: Connie Walker
RE: Weekly Report, October 16-20, 1995
DATE: October 27, 1995

cc: B. Garcia
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Attached please find the weekly report outlining activities performed during the week of October 16-20, for the NMED. Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions.



**NMED SUPPORT
WEEKLY STATUS REPORT
for the period:
October 16 - October 20, 1995**

Status of Work and Progress to Date

A.T.Kearney is currently conducting technical review of the WIPP Part B Permit application, Revision 5, for the Disposal Phase. Detailed review/comment integration for Chapters A, B, C, D, E, and I continues. The detailed review of Chapters A, B, and C has been completed, and QC comments integrated into the deliverable. Initial rough scans of remaining Chapters was also initiated, with a conference call scheduled for October 31, 1995 to discuss results of this initial review.

Percentage of Work Completed and Status of the Schedule:

Total approximate expenditures to date (October 20, 1995), including state sales tax, are approximately \$56,000, which is 33% of the estimated budget for Task 1. Approximately 707 hours have been expended on Task 1, to date.

Difficulties Encountered and Corrective Actions Taken:

No difficulties were encountered during the last reporting period.

Work In Progress:

Detailed review/response to comments, Chapters A, B, C, D, E, and I, is ongoing. The rough initial review of remaining chapters has been initiated. Preparation of a general issues list, Chapters D, E, and I is also being done. An overview memo presenting issues and concerns relative to all remaining Chapters is being developed, and will be discussed with NMED during the October 31, 1995 conference call. Detailed comment preparation for Chapters B, D, and I is ongoing, and integration of QC comments (Chapters A, B, and C) has been accomplished.

Changes in Key Project Personnel:

No changes to key personnel have occurred. However, due to cost constraints, ICF Kaiser personnel will be used to QC Chapters A, B, and C only; remaining QC will be performed by A.T.Kearney personnel, unless otherwise directed by NMED.

Additional Issues and Topics:

It has become apparent during our reviews of Chapters A, B, C, D, E, and I, that the level of review necessary to evaluate DOE's responses to the information request will be comparable - if not greater than - that required to review DOE's initial submission. While close watch is being paid to budgetary constraints, we feel it important to indicate, to NMED, that some additional monies may be required to conduct the evaluation of DOE's responses. Our personnel have been directed to be very frugal with their hours on this project and to "save" hours to accomplish the evaluation of DOE's comments, and we are thus hoping that the estimated budget will still hold true to the date of issuance of the NOD. However, it is possible that some additional funds beyond that identified for Task 1 could be required. These would be identified on an individual basis, and would likely not exceed an additional 2 weeks per individual (for 3-4 individuals). NMED will be notified as soon as possible if it appears this situation will occur.

Also attached are our general issues to be discussed with DOE regarding Chapters D, E, and I, as well as our general overview comments pertaining to all other Chapters.