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Mr. Benito Garcia, Chief
Hazardous and Radioactive
Materials Bureau
New Mexico Environment Department
2044A Galisteo Street
Santa Fe, NM 87505

Re: Review Part B Draft Permit for the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP)

Dear Mr. Garcia:

As we discussed by telephone today, Region 6 requests a thirty day review of the draft RCRA Part B permit for the WIPP facility before the public notice period begins. The permitting agreement specifically provides for this review to allow the Region an opportunity to identify and resolve potential issues before the public comment period.

If you have any questions, please contact me or Nick Stone of my staff at (214) 665-7226.

Sincerely,

David W. Neleigh
David W. Neleigh, Chief
New Mexico and Federal
Facilities Section

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