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Ms. Linda Frank-Supka
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Dear Ms. Frank-Supka:

RE: Request for documentation confirming laboratory reporting limits

This letter is a follow-up to our telephone conversation on January 9, 1998, in which Barbara Toth and I asked you and your staff about laboratory reporting limits for several constituents analyzed and reported in the *Final Voluntary Release Assessment/Corrective Action Report* (DOE/WIPP 96-2209, November 12, 1996). You stated that the soil reporting limits were 20 mg/kg for thallium and 100 mg/kg for PCBs.

To confirm this statement for our records, please provide HRMB with the laboratory standard operating procedures or any other documents identifying the laboratory soil reporting limits for EPA SW-846 Methods 6010 and 8080/8081 which reflect the analyses performed for the WIPP Voluntary Release Assessment.

If you have any questions on this response to your request, please contact me at (505) 827-1561.

Sincerely,

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