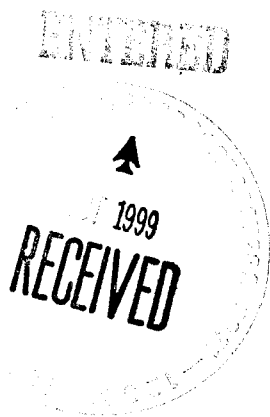




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Subject: Notification of Audits - Rocky Flats Environmental Technology Site and Hanford Site

Dear Mr. Kieling:

This letter provides notification, per draft RCRA Permit requirement II. C. 2. b., that the WIPP Permittees will be conducting an audit of the Rocky Flats Environmental Technology Site December 6-10, 1999. The Permittees will be conducting an audit of the Hanford Site the week of January 10-14, 2000.

I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations.

Please contact Butch Stroud of my staff at (505)234-7483 should you have any questions about this notification.

Sincerely,

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