

Subject: RE: wipp list

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STEVE,

Thanks for your email. i look forward to getting the faxes and information regarding WIPP. Thanks also for the corrections. I will make note of that and correct it.

mark

-----Original Message-----

From: Steve Zappe [mailto:Steve_Zappe@nmenv.state.nm.us]

Sent: Wednesday, December 01, 1999 10:41 AM

To: Mark Eddy

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Mark -

We are adding your name to the WIPP mailing list as requested.

I received a copy of your December 1 WIPP article from the Denver Post this morning, and want to correct two inaccuracies:

1. "The New Mexico Environment Department and environmental groups don't think it's safe."

If NMED didn't think WIPP was safe, we would not have issued them a permit, which became effective November 26. If WIPP operates in compliance with the permit, our concerns about its safety are addressed.

Please don't lump NMED together with WIPP opponents. We are currently being sued by both DOE and environmental groups, who have significantly different opinions about the permit.

2. "The state, which oversees mixed waste, issued a 400-page permit in October..."

The permit is four volumes, containing approximately 3500 pages of text, figures, tables, and large drawings.

Thanks! For further information please contact Nathan Wade, NMED PIO, at 505/827-2834.

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