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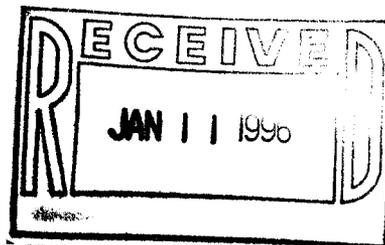
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Mr. Michael Chacon
Hazardous & Radioactive Materials Bureau
New Mexico Environment Department
2044 Galisteo Street
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87502



Dear Mr. Chacon:

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF DEFICIENCY
PROPOSED LAND TREATMENT AREA
CLOSURE/POST-CLOSURE -REQUEST FOR
EXTENSION FOR RESPONSE.

Giant Refinery Company is in receipt of your December 27, 1995, letter informing Giant that the required response to the Notice of Deficiency issued on September 19, 1995, by the New Mexico Environment Department, Hazardous and Radioactive Materials Bureau has not been received. As stated by Mr. David Pavlich, Health Safety and Environmental Manager, in his letter dated December 15, 1995, Ciniza Refinery has been undergoing significant changes over the last several months. As a result, new environmental staff have been hired and are now on-board.

Since the new staff must become familiar with Giant's Closure/Post-closure submittal and the September 19, 1995 Notice of Deficiency, Giant is requesting an extension of time, to February 17, 1996, be granted. This extension will allow time for the new staff to become familiar with the necessary documents as well as allow Giant to incorporate into its response any understandings which maybe reached during our January 22, 1996 meeting with you.

If there are any question on this matter please contact me at (505) 722-0227.

Sincerely,

Edward L. Horst
Environmental Manager
Giant Refining Company

cc: David Pavlich
Steve Morris
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