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RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

December 23, 1996

Ms. Dorinda Mancini
Environmental Manager
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Route 3, Box 7
Gallup, NM 87301

Dear Ms. Mancini:

RE: Administrative Completeness and Technical Adequacy of the Class 3 modification request to the Closure Plan for the Land Treatment Area (LTA)

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) Hazardous and Radioactive Materials Bureau (HRMB) has completed a review of the July 22, 1996 Notice of Deficiency (NOD) response from Giant Refining Company-Ciniza (Giant). The NOD was for the requested Class 3 modification to the approved Closure Plan for Giant's RCRA Land Treatment Area (LTA).

HRMB has concluded an administrative and technical review of the modification request and determines it to be complete. HRMB will now proceed with the forty-five (45) calendar day State Public Notice of Intent to Approve and Public Comment Period, as per 20 NMAC 4.1.903.A.3. HRMB will also send a Fact Sheet of this proposed decision to each person on the facility mailing list. HRMB will respond to all written public comments received, and modify and approve or deny the modification based on the comments and any information presented at a public hearing if one is held. HRMB will request the Director of NMED Water and Waste Management Division to approve or deny the modification within the time frame allowed in 20 NMAC 4.1 Subpart IX, 40 CFR §270.42(c). The final decision will become effective thirty (30) days after service of the notice of the decision unless a later date is specified or review is requested under 20 NMAC 4.1.902.A.10.

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If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Michael Chacón of my staff at (505) 827-1561.

Sincerely,



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