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CERTIFIED MAIL – RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

February 17, 2012

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**RE: ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLETENESS DETERMINATION AND FEE
ASSESSMENT FOR CLASS 1 PERMIT MODIFICATION DATED FEBRUARY
12, 2012 TO THE HAZARDOUS WASTE FACILITY PERMIT, NUMBER
NM4890139088-TSDF
HWB-WIPP-12-001**

Dear Messrs. Franco and Sharif:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) acknowledges receipt of modification notifications to the WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit. The specific submittal reviewed for administrative completeness was:

- Notification of Class 1 Permit Modification (Change in the Department of Energy, Carlsbad Field Office Manager), Letter Dated 2/13/2012, Rec'd 2/15/2012

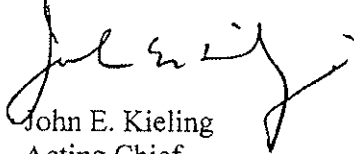
NMED has determined that this submittal is administratively complete. As requested by the Permittees under the conditions specified in 20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §270.42(a)(1)), the modification identified in the Notice of Class 1 Modification listed above is put into effect. NMED will incorporate this Class 1 modification into the WIPP Permit during a future permit action.

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The New Mexico Hazardous Waste Permit and Corrective Action Fee Regulations, 20.4.2.201.B(2)(b) NMAC require the assessment of fees. The fee invoices are attached to this letter. Payment is normally due within sixty (60) calendar days from the date that you receive the invoice in accordance with 20.4.2.301.C NMAC. However, because NMED submitted an assessment of supplemental permit fees to the Permittees and the Permittees transmitted payment of these fees, the fee invoice for this permit modification notification has been effectively paid under these supplemental fees.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at (505) 476-6035 or Trais Kliphuis at (505) 476-6051.

Sincerely,



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