August 25, 2014

Mr. John E. Kieling, Chief
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Subject: Transmittal of the Final Report for CBFO Audit A-14-29 of the Oak Ridge National Laboratory/Central Characterization Program

Dear Mr. Kieling:

This letter transmits the Final Audit Report for Carlsbad Field Office (CBFO) Audit A-14-29 of the Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL) site, and services of the Nuclear Waste Partnership LLC Central Characterization Program (CCP), for certification of the contact-handled transuranic waste visual examination (VE) process performed to characterize and certify waste in accordance with the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) Hazardous Waste Facility Permit (HWFP). The audit was conducted July 29-30, 2014.

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 fines and imprisonment for knowing violations.

If you have any questions concerning this audit report, please contact Mr. Michael R. Brown, Director of the CBFO Quality Assurance Division, at (575) 234-7476.

Sincerely,

//signature on file//

Jose R. Franco, Manager
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Enclosure