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Subject: Transmittal of Carlsbad Field Office Final Audit Report A-10-23, Argonne National Laboratory Central Characterization Project for Remote Handled Waste Characterization

Dear Mr. Zappe:

This letter transmits the subject audit report for the processes performed to characterize and certify waste as required by Section II.C.2.c of the WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit. The report contains the results of the audit performed for Summary Category Group S5000 debris waste, August 3-5, 2010.

I certify under penalty of law that this document and all enclosures 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.

Should you have any questions, please contact Ms. Ava L. Holland, Carlsbad Field Office Director of Quality Assurance, at (575) 234-7423.

Sincerely,

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Edward Ziemianski
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Enclosure