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Subject: Transmittal of the Contact-Handled Waste Certification Audit Report for the Oak Ridge National Laboratory Central Characterization Project, Audit A-09-24

Dear Mr. Zappe:

This letter transmits the Carlsbad Field Office (CBFO) audit report for the processes performed to characterize and certify waste as required by Section II.C.2.c of the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant Hazardous Waste Facility Permit. The report contains the results of the contact-handled waste certification audit performed for Summary Category Group S4000 soils/gravel waste. The audit was conducted July 28-30, 2009.

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 concerning this audit report, please contact Ava L. Holland, CBFO Director, Office of Quality Assurance, at (575) 234-7423.

Sincerely,

*Original Signature on File*

David C. Moody  
Manager

Enclosure