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Subject: Transmittal of the Final Audit Report for the Los Alamos National Laboratory Central Characterization Project Recertification Audit A-12-12

Dear Mr. Kieling:

This letter transmits the Final Audit Report for the Carlsbad Field Office (CBFO) Audit A-12-12 of the Los Alamos National Laboratory Central Characterization Project performing characterization and certification activities as required by Part 2, Section 2.3.2.3 of the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant Hazardous Waste Facility Permit. The audit was conducted July 24 – 26, 2012. The report contains the results of the audit performed for recertification of contact-handled Summary Category Groups S3000 homogeneous solids waste and S5000 debris waste, and the initial certification of S4000 soils/gravel waste.

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.

Please contact the CBFO Quality Assurance Director, Randy Unger, at (575) 234-7065, should you have any questions concerning this audit report.

Sincerely,

Original Signature on file

Jose R. Franco, Manager  
Carlsbad Field Office

Enclosure