Mr. Rick Shean, Chief
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New Mexico Environment Department
2905 Rodeo Park Drive East, Building 1
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Subject: Notification of Last Waste Emplacement and Notification of Intent to Commence Closure of the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant Hazardous Waste Disposal Unit Panel 7

Dear Mr. Shean:

The purpose of this letter is to notify the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) that the Permittees intend to emplace the final waste in Hazardous Waste Disposal Unit Panel 7 and to commence closure of Panel 7 at the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) facility. These notifications fulfill the requirements of the WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit NM4890139088-TSDF, Part 6, Section 6.4, Notification of Closure, and Permit Attachment G, Section G-1b, Requirements, to notify NMED at least 60 calendar days prior to the date on which closure activities are scheduled to begin, and Permit Attachment G, Section G-1d(1), Schedule for Panel Closure, to notify the NMED 30 days before placing the final waste in a panel.

Final waste emplacement in Panel 7 will take place on or about August 19, 2022. Closure activities are expected to begin on or about August 19, 2022. The exact date may vary depending on waste availability.

We certify under penalty of law that this document was prepared under our direction or supervision according to a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on our 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 our knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. We are aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Ed Garza at (575) 234-8368.

Sincerely,

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