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Subject: Transmittal of the Final Audit Report for the CBFO Audit QAD-A-23-15 of the Argonne National Laboratory Central Characterization Program

Dear Mr. Maestas:

This letter transmits the Final Audit Report for the Carlsbad Field Office (CBFO) Audit QAD-A-23-15 of the Argonne National Laboratory Central Characterization Program (ANL/CCP) processes performed to characterize and certify waste in accordance with the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant Hazardous Waste Facility Permit. The audit was conducted July 18-20, 2023.

The audit team identified two total concerns during the audit. The two concerns were classified as: one concern that was offered to management for consideration as a Recommendation and one Strength. No conditions adverse to quality were identified. The audit team concluded that the ANL/CCP Transuranic (TRU) waste characterization program procedures for characterizing Remote Handled and Contact Handled TRU Summary Category Group S5000 debris waste, adequately address upper-tier requirements, processes were satisfactorily implemented, and effective in achieving the desired results

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 Darren Jolley, Director, CBFO Quality Assurance Division, at (575) 234-7493, should you have any questions concerning this audit report.

Sincerely,

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