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Subject: Transmittal of the Final Audit Report for CBFO Audit QAD-A-25-03 of the Idaho National Laboratory/Central Characterization Program

Dear Mr. Nance:

This letter transmits the Final Audit Report for Carlsbad Field Office (CBFO) Audit QAD-A-25-03 of the Idaho National Laboratory/Central Characterization Program processes performed to characterize and certify waste in accordance with the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant Hazardous Waste Facility Permit. The audit was conducted March 18 – 20, 2025.

The audit team concluded that the evaluated areas and procedures utilized for characterizing remote-handled (RH) transuranic (TRU) summary category groups (SCGs) S3000 homogenous solids waste and S5000 debris wastes, adequately address upper-tier requirements and were satisfactorily implemented and effective in achieving the desired results (with the exception of Real-time Radiography and Project-Level Data Validation and Verification which were deemed indeterminate in implementation and effectiveness because verification could not be performed during the audit).

The evaluated areas and procedures utilized for characterizing contact-handled (CH) TRU SCGs S3000 homogenous solids waste, S4000 soils/gravel, and S5000 debris wastes, adequately address upper-tier requirements (except for Flammable Gas Analysis which was determined marginal until corrective actions have been completed to address concerns in WIPP-ISSUE-24-0046), were satisfactorily implemented.

A total of two concerns were identified during the audit, with none considered Waste Analysis Plan (WAP)-affecting. One non-WAP-affecting concern was classified as an Observation. One non-WAP-affecting concern was withdrawn after additional objective evidence was received in the area of Records.

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.

Mr. JohnDavid Nance

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If you have any questions or comments concerning the Interim Audit Report, please contact Ms. Veronica Ballew at (575) 231-5717, or Mr. Joe Lopez at (575) 200-0716.

Sincerely,

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