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Mr. Rick Shean, Chief  
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Subject: Transmittal of the Final Audit Report for CBFO Recertification Audit  
QAD-A-23-01 of the Advanced Mixed Waste Treatment Project

Dear Mr. Shean:

This letter transmits the Final Audit Report for Carlsbad Field Office (CBFO) Recertification Audit QAD-A-23-01 of the Advanced Mixed Waste Treatment Project for processes performed to characterize and certify waste in accordance with the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant Hazardous Waste Facility Permit. The audit was conducted October 10 – 13, 2022.

In February 2022, the CBFO revised office procedure (OP) 10.13, *Audits*, to remove the Generator Site Technical Review (GSTR) requirement; therefore, the enclosed report does not contain that review. Currently, GSTR processes are being evaluated and an update of implementation requirements is in development. Until a determination as to new GSTR processes and how they should be implemented is reached, audit reports will not contain GSTR issues and recommendations, except to the extent such issues and recommendations are relevant to Waste Analysis Plan compliance.

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.

Should you have any questions, please contact Mr. Joe Lopez, Software Quality Assurance Specialist, CBFO Quality Assurance Division, at (575) 200-0716.

Sincerely,

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