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Mr. John E. Kieling, Chief Hazardous Waste Bureau New Mexico Environment Department 2905 Rodeo Park Drive East, Bldg. 1 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505-6303

Subject: Transmittal of the Final Audit Report for Closeout Audit A-13-19, INL Analytical

Laboratories Utilizing the Central Characterization Program

Dear Mr. Kieling:

This letter transmits the Final Audit Report for Carlsbad Field Office (CBFO) Closeout Audit A-13-19, Idaho National Laboratory (INL) Analytical Laboratories Utilizing the Central Characterization Program (CCP) for processes performed to certify waste in accordance with the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) Hazardous Waste Facility Permit (HWFP). The report contains the results of the closeout audit conducted on July 9-11, 2013.

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.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Oba L. Vincent, Acting Director, Office of Quality Assurance, at (575) 234-7525.

Sincerely,

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Jose R. Franco, Manager Carlsbad Field Office

Enclosure