August 27, 2014

Dear Concerned Citizen:

Enclosed is a notice regarding the New Mexico Environment Department’s (NMED) intent, pending public input, to approve Revision 14 of the U. S. Department of Energy/National Nuclear Security Administration (DOE/NNSA) and Sandia Corporation’s (DOE/SNL) Federal Facility Compliance Order (FFCO) Site Treatment Plan (STP) Compliance Plan Volume (CPV).

Revision 14 is comprised of two Parts: X.C.2.a and X.C.2.b. If approved, revisions under Part X.C.2.a would set a new Compliance Date for all treatment technologies and associated treatability groups (TG) of December 31, 2016. The current STP CPV Compliance Dates have expired, so setting new Compliance Dates is essential. Additionally, the proposed revision will update the STP to include treatment technologies that are now available, and to remove activities that have been completed and are no longer applicable. The volumes for each TG would also be changed to reflect current inventory.

If approved, revisions under Part X.C.2.b would establish a Compliance Date for the current and future inventory of Mixed TRU (MTRU) Waste. The Compliance Date for the treatment and disposal of all waste in this TG would be set to December 31, 2016.

Only written comments received from the public by 5 p.m., September 26, 2014, will be considered by NMED in making a final decision.

Sincerely,

Dave Cobrain
Manager
Permits Management Program
Hazardous Waste Bureau
NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

PROPOSED REVISION 14 OF THE SANDIA NATIONAL LABORATORIES
FEDERAL FACILITY COMPLIANCE ORDER SITE TREATMENT PLAN
COMPLIANCE PLAN VOLUME

The State of New Mexico is authorized to operate a hazardous waste management program in lieu of the Federal program for most provisions of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA). The Federal Facilities Compliance Act is coded in RCRA §6001. Under authority of the New Mexico Hazardous Waste Act (Section 74-4-1 NMSA 1978 (CUM. SUPP.) and the New Mexico Hazardous Waste Management Regulations (20.4.1 NMAC), the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) may issue Federal Facility Compliance Orders to federal facilities located within New Mexico's borders.

On October 4, 1995, NMED issued a Federal Facility Compliance Order (FFCO) to the United States Department of Energy/National Nuclear Security Administration (DOE/NNSA) and Sandia Corporation (Sandia) for the Sandia National Laboratories (SNL) Facility. DOE/NNSA is the owner, and Sandia Corporation is the operator of SNL. The FFCO requires a Site Treatment Plan (STP) Compliance Plan Volume (CPV) for the treatment and disposal of mixed waste at SNL. Mixed waste is waste that contains both hazardous and radioactive components. DOE/NNSA and Sandia must comply with the New Mexico Hazardous Waste Act, NMSA 1978, §§74-4-1 (1998 CUM. SUPP.) and section 3012(b) of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. §6939(c), as amended by the Federal Facility Compliance Act of 1992, Public Law 102-386, 106 Stat. 1505 (1992). Under Section X "Revisions" of the FFCO STP CPV, all proposed or required revisions shall be made available for public review and comment.

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The Administrative Record includes proposed Revision 14, all earlier revisions, the FFCO, various deletion requests, and other FFCO-required documents. Proposed Revision 14 and the Administrative Record may be reviewed at NMED, Hazardous Waste Bureau, 2905 Rodeo Park Drive East, Building 1, Santa Fe, New Mexico, 87505-6303, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. for a period of thirty (30) days beginning August 27, 2014. Proposed Revision 14, this public notice, and the interested citizen letter can also be reviewed at the NMED web page at: www.nmenv.state.nm.us/hwb/snlperm.html under the link “Federal Facilities Compliance Order”. To obtain a copy of the Administrative Record or any part thereof please contact Mr. Dave Cobrain by calling (505) 476-6055.

Any person who wishes to comment on proposed Revision 14 should submit written or electronic mail (e-mail) comments, along with his or her name and address, to the above address, or for e-mail comments to dave.cobrain@state.nm.us Only comments received by 5:00 p.m. MDT, September 26, 2014 will be considered. All timely comments submitted will be considered in forming a final decision, and NMED may modify the revision based on the comments received. NMED will notify each person who submitted written comment during the public comment period of the final decision.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

Persons having a disability and needing help in being a part of this hearing process, including TTY users, should contact J. C. Borrego at least 10 days before the event at the NMED Human Resources Bureau, P.O. Box 5469, 1190 St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico, 87502, telephone 505-827-0402.