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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 6
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Re: Concurrence with Proposal to Include Carlisle Village Cleaners (EPA ID No. NMN000622185) in Albuquerque, New Mexico on the National Priorities List

Dear Dr. Nance:

This letter is in response to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s (EPA’s) request for concurrence from the State of New Mexico for the proposal of the Carlisle Village Cleaners site to the National Priorities List (NPL). I am writing you as Governor Lujan Grisham’s designee regarding environmental issues.

The State of New Mexico supports the inclusion of the Carlisle Village Cleaners site on the NPL. The use of the Federal Superfund Program is the most viable mechanism available to obtain resources to address contamination. The site consists of a soil vapor plume of tetrachloroethene and trichloroethene that is responsible for active vapor intrusion into residential and commercial structures in the neighborhoods surrounding the site at concentrations above health-based benchmarks.

We look forward to working collaboratively with EPA to plan, select, and implement an appropriate and reasonable remedy for this site. To this end, I request that EPA grant NMED “lead agency” status per 40 CFR 300.515.

Sincerely,

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Deputy Cabinet Secretary for Cabinet Secretary James Kenney
New Mexico Environment Department

cc: Michelle Lujan Grisham, Governor, State of New Mexico
    Tim Keller, Mayor, City of Albuquerque
    Ronald Crossland, Director-Superfund and Emergency Mgmt., EPA Region 6