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Subject: Station A Exhaust Air Monitoring at the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant Conducted by the New Mexico Environment Department, DOE Oversight Bureau, July -September 2012

Mr. Basabilvazo,

This letter transmits the subject report as final.

The monitoring results are provided to DOE. If you have any questions, or would like copies of the complete data set, please contact me at 575-885-9023.

Sincerely,

Thomas Kesterson Environmental Specialist –O WIPP Oversight Section

- Enclosure: Draft data submittal entitled: "Station A Exhaust Air Monitoring at the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant Conducted by the New Mexico Environment Department, DOE Oversight Bureau, July – September 2012", with the following enclosures:
 - Table 1 Laboratory Results for Selected Analytes from Station A, July -September 2012.
- Cc: Thomas Skibitski, Bureau Chief NMED DOE OB



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The New Mexico Environment Department DOE Oversight Bureau has compiled and assessed data collected from Station A for July through September 2012. The accompanying data report shows results for selected analytes and sample blanks as determined by an independent analytical laboratory.

Results

Results indicate no activities above the sample Minimum Detectable Concentration (MDC) for americium-241, cesium-137, isotopic plutonium, strontium-90, or isotopic uranium.

Response

Questions and or comments may be addressed to Thomas Kesterson by phone at 575-885-9023, by e-mail at <u>thomasl.kesterson@state.nm.us</u>, or to the address in the above letterhead.

Enclosure: (1) Table 1 – Laboratory Results for Selected Analytes from Station A July -September 2012

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Jul-12 Station A	Analytical Results Monthly Composite Sample			Data Summaries		
Analyte	Result	2s TPU	Sample	Lab	Result	2s TPU
	pCi/composite		MDC	Flag	nBq/m ³	
Sr-90	5.55E-01	4.4E-01	7.24E-01	U	8.48E+03	6.72E+03
Pu-239/240	6.76E-03	1.7E-02	3.87E-02	U	1.03E+02	2.60E+02
Pu-238	-4.52E-03	1.3E-02	3.88E-02	U	-6.90E+01	1.99E+02
Am-241	-6.42E-03	1.3E-02	4.55E-02	U	-9.81E+01	1.99E+02
Cs-137	-1.23E-01	6.6E-01	1.12E+00	U	-1.88E+03	1.01E+04
U-234	1.53E-02	2.3E-02	4.32E-02	U	2.34E+02	3.51E+02
U-235	6.12E-03	2.4E-02	5.97E-02	U	9.35E+01	3.67E+02
U-238	6.12E-03	2.40E-02	5.97E-02	U	9.35E+01	3.67E+02
	(m ³)	(ft ³)				
Total Air Flow	2422	85558				

Aug-12 Station A	Ма	Results	e	Data Summaries		
Analyte	Result	2s TPU	Sample	Lab	Result	2s TPU
	pCi/composite		MDC	Flag	nBq/m ³	
Sr-90	4.19E-01	4.8E-01	8.42E-01	U	6.68E+03	7.65E+03
Pu-239/240	6.68E-03	1.8E-02	4.10E-02	U	1.07E+02	2.87E+02
Pu-238	-1.91E-03	1.0E-02	2.70E-02	U	-3.05E+01	1.59E+02
Am-241	-9.34E-03	1.5E-02	5.45E-02	U	-1.49E+02	2.39E+02
Cs-137	3.23E-01	9.1E-01	1.59E+00	U	5.15E+03	1.45E+04
U-234	3.22E-02	3.70E-02	5.06E-02	U	5.13E+02	5.90E+02
U-235	-3.58E-03	1.9E-02	5.06E-02	U	-5.71E+01	3.03E+02
U-238	5.01E-02	4.5E-02	5.06E-02	U	7.99E+02	7.18E+02
	(m ³)	(ft ³)				
Total Air Flow	2320	81956				

Sep-12	Analytical Results			Data Summaries		
Station A	Monthly Composite Sample					
Analyte	Result	2s TPU	Sample	Lab	Result	2s TPU
	pCi/composite		MDC	Flag	nBq/m ³	
Sr-90	2.68E-01	5.4E-01	9.70E-01	U	4.30E+03	8.66E+03
Pu-239/240	2.10E-03	1.7E-02	4.50E-02	U	3.37E+01	2.73E+02
Pu-238	-1.47E-02	1.5E-02	5.50E-02	U	-2.36E+02	2.41E+02
Am-241	1.07E-03	1.2E-02	3.67E-02	U	1.72E+01	1.92E+02
Cs-137	7.14E-01	1.1E+00	1.89E+00	U	1.15E+04	1.76E+04
U-234	6.51E-02	5.6E-02	8.33E-02	U	1.04E+03	8.98E+02
U-235	4.77E-03	1.7E-02	4.49E-02	U	7.65E+01	2.73E+02
U-238	1.27E-02	2.3E-02	4.49E-02	U	2.04E+02	3.69E+02
	(m ³)	(ft ³)				
Total Air Flow	2307	81489				