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RE: Oversight of Corrective Action Activities under the IAG

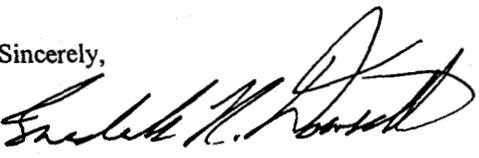
Dear Ms. Roberson,

The Colorado Department of Health, Hazardous Materials and Waste Management Division (the Division), is troubled with the lack of DOE notification to the Division and EPA prior to sampling and other field activities occurring at Rocky Flats under the authority of the Interagency Agreement. Part 37, Paragraph 210 of the IAG specifically requires DOE to notify EPA and State Project Coordinators of environmental sampling activities no later than 48 hours in advance of the activity.

Such notification has not regularly occurred. More often than not, we are aware of field activities only after they have taken place. This does not allow our personnel to adequately assess the compliance of the field work with the Workplans we have approved.

The monthly progress reports required by Part 34 of the IAG do not serve this purpose. The Division has previously requested, through informal verbal discussions with DOE and EG&G staff, some mechanism for regular and timely notification of activities under the Corrective Action Requirements, Part XV, of the State RCRA permit. The only response we have received (the EG&G Five Year Plan) is not a workable solution, in terms of either detail or timeliness.

As a result, DOE is to respond, within 30 days of its receipt of this letter, with a notification mechanism that will allow State and EPA personnel the opportunity to exercise their independent verification and oversight authority.

Sincerely,


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