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Subject: Daily Technical Submission - July 24, 2014

Attached is the written daily submission for today. The Permittees are submitting this pursuant to Section 19 of the May 19, 2014, *Administrative Order*, and Section VIII of the May 29, 2014, *Revised LANL Nitrate Salt-Bearing Waste Container Isolation Plan*.

If you have any revisions, please let me know.

Thank you

Don Allen for Tori George

## NMED / LANL Technical Summary

# July 24, 2014 – **FINAL**

#### Participation:

- New Mexico Environment Department: Tim Hall, Siona Briley, Colman Smith,
- LANL Los Alamos National Security: Don Allen, Kathy Johns-Hughes, Gian Bacigalupa, Alison Dorries

#### LANL Technical Update:

- Location of Nitrate Salt-Bearing Wastes
  - Remediated nitrate salt-bearing waste containers.
    - All containers remain in the 375 Permacon.
  - o Unremediated nitrate salt-bearing waste containers.
    - All containers remain in the 231 Permacon.
- Monitoring Daily Temperature
  - Temperatures remain below 90°F.
- Monitoring Visual Inspections
  - No abnormal conditions.

#### • Additional measures currently underway

- As a conservative measure, LANL is currently conducting additional monitoring. This additional monitoring includes:
  - Container 68685.
    - Collecting a daily head space gas sample.
      - $\circ$  CO<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O continuing analytical.
      - LANL also continuing *solid phase micro-extraction* technique.
    - Hourly temperature measurements.
      - Temperatures remain below 90°F.
  - 15 other SWB overpacks (containing 55-gallon drums of remediated nitrate salt bearing waste).
    - First week of sampling complete 4 SWBs will continue to be sampled. Sampling of eleven other SWBs will begin.
    - Collecting a daily head space gas sample.
      - $\circ$  CO<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O continuing analytical.
- Anticipated Changes to Nitrate Salt-Bearing Waste Containers (e.g. movement, re-packaging).
  - Currently, no further movements or re-packaging are planned.

### **Summary Chart - Requested Information / Pending Issues:**

	<b>Requested Information</b>	Actionee	Status	Completion Date
1.	NMED contact / process for LANL to notify NMED under the Revised Isolation Plan (e.g., 24 hour notices).	NMED		Complete June 5, 2014
2.	Keep NMED informed on the status of on- going chemistry / analytical work.	LANL		Complete June 9, 2014
3.	On upcoming daily call, provide additional discussion on the potential for liquids in the 350 post-1991 cemented containers (including a discussion of the review of RTR tapes).	LANL		Complete July 6, 2014 (Discussion on call) July 18, 2014 (Meeting held)
4.	On upcoming call, provide additional discussion on why 231 and 375 Permacon fire suppression systems are not part of the LANL RCRA Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Contingency Plan.	LANL		Complete June 5, 2014
5.	Send copy of June 4, 2014 written daily submission to Trais Kliphuis. Also, include her on future daily submissions.	LANL		Complete June 5, 2014
6.	Provide LANL procedures and example records associated with post-1991 TA-55 cementation process discussed on June 6.	LANL		Complete July 3, 2014
7.	Provide information on numbers of containers in the post-1991 cemented waste streams from the TA-55 process discussed on June 6. This should include numbers regarding RTR status (RTR'd, meet WIPP criteria, requiring remediation).	LANL		Complete June 17, 2014 (Supplemental Info provided July 3)
8.	Provide RTR video and pre-screening information associated with those containers requiring remediation from the post-1991 cemented waste streams from the TA-55 process discussed on June 6.	LANL		Complete July 3, 2014
9.	Provide copy of CCP/LANL Interface Document.	LANL		Complete June 9, 2014

10.	Provide a list of the analytes for which LANL	LANL		Complete
	is sampling HSG (CO <sub>2</sub> and LFL analytes).			June 11, 2014
11.	Discuss potential sampling of HSG for NO <sub>x</sub> .	LANL		Complete
11.	Discuss potential sampling of HSO for $NO_x$ .	LAINL		Complete
				June 16, 2014
12.	Follow-up with Tim Hall regarding LANL	LANL	Unremediated Parent	Empty Parent
	Hazardous Waste Facility Permit and		In progress – will	Complete
	procedures that LANL is developing for		include information on	June 16, 2014
	possible future sampling of empty parent		sampling of S802701 and S813389 (occurred	
	containers and unremediated nitrate salt-		before the May 19	
	bearing containers at LANL.		Administrative Order)	
			in next technical	
13.	Respond to NMED email request for	LANL	meeting (August). In progress –	Partially Complete
15.	information associated with the nitrate salt-	LAINL	remaining items are	ratually Complete
	bearing parent and daughter waste containers.		portions of items 2 and	July 9, 2014
			8, and all of item 5.	(Letter sent addressing
				items 1-4 and 6-9 of the email request)
				the email request)
				July 17, 2014
				(Letter sent with
14.	NMED will review the Round Sheets	NMED	NMED has reviewed	updated spreadsheet.) Complete
14.	(provided in June 11 summary) and inform	NNED	Round Sheets – no	Complete
	LANL if these should be attachments to the		comments / direction at	June 23, 2014
	Revised Plan, or if they fall under the		this time. NMED will	,
	provision in Section I of the Revised Isolation		address any comments in their formal response	
	Plan and their identification during this		to Revised Container	
	technical call is sufficient.		Isolation Plan.	
15.	NMED has requested 'copies of any waste	LANL		Complete
	processing, treatment, characterization stop orders issued since Feb 14, 2014.'			June 13, 2014
	orders issued since reb 14, 2014.			(Included w/ daily
				summary)
				June 16, 2014 (Discussed current
				TA-54 & WCRRF
				operations)
16.	NMED requested information on the location	LANL		Complete
	of drums 68327 and 68328. Request made			T 14 0014
17	June 14.	I ANII /		June 14, 2014
17.	Update on LANL efforts – including LANL teams. (On June 20 call, LANL offered to	LANL / NMED		Complete
	schedule an update meeting).			July 2, 2014
18.	Neutralizer use in association with container	LANL		Complete
	S855793 (parent of 68660 and 68685).			
				June 25, 2014

19.	List of nitrate salt-bearing waste containers that LANL records indicate contain absorbed liquids with the same neutralizer, as discussed during June 25 technical call.	LANL	In progress.	
20.	Schedule follow-on update on LANL efforts – including teams.	LANL / NMED	In progress. Meeting scheduled for August 14.	
21.	NMED requested information on document approval / review (as discussed on July 3 call).	LANL	In progress.	
22.	What analyses will be conducted on samples taken from empty drums that previously contained nitrate salt-bearing waste.	LANL		Complete July 7, 2014
23.	NMED requested the following information on cemented waste containers generated from TA-55, that are currently stored above-ground at Area G: container id number; location; form (cans or monoliths); and type of concrete. Additionally, NMED requested information on pH adjustment during waste generation process, and information on anticipated pH of free liquids (and rationale).	LANL		Complete July 17, 2014 (Letter sent w/ information) July 18, 2014 (Meeting held)
24.	NMED requested the procedure for sampling empty parent drums that previously contained nitrate salt-bearing waste.	LANL	EP-AREAG-WO- DOP-1245 is included in Enclosure 1 to LANL's July 3, 2014 Response to Request for Information on Management of Waste at LANL.	Complete July 8, 2014
25.	NMED requested an additional discussion on a future technical call regarding $CO_2$ , including data.	LANL	In progress. Will include trending information in next technical meeting (August 14).	
26.	NMED requested additional discussion on CIN-01 waste containers and absorbent, including confirmation and extent of use.	LANL		Complete July 18, 2014 (Meeting held)
27.	NMED requested historic analytical information on pH of liquids associated with gypsum cemented waste.	LANL	In progress.	
28.	NMED requested link to pdf of Actinide Quarterly edition (3 <sup>rd</sup> Q 2008).	LANL		Complete July 21, 2014
29	NMED requested copy of lessons learned	LANL	In progress	·

Next Call: Tuesday, July 29, 2014 - at 10 am.