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Subject: Submittal of Proof of Inspection of Erosion Controls in Drainages to the 90s Line Pond

Dear Mr. Bearzi:

Enclosed please find two hard copies with electronic files of this letter and associated photographs that document Los Alamos National Laboratory's (LANL's) annual inspection of the erosion controls deployed in the drainages to the 90s Line Pond. Documentation of annual inspections was required as part of the New Mexico Environment Department's (NMED's) "Notice of Approval with Direction Investigation Report for Consolidated Units 16-007(a)-99 and 16-008(a)-99 at Technical Area 16, Revision 1," dated February 11, 2008, and a subsequent NMED letter, "Approval of Erosion Controls Installed in Drainages to the 90s Line Pond, Consolidated Unit 16-008(a)-99," dated July 7, 2008.

The best management practices (BMPs) in the drainages associated with Consolidated Unit 16-008(a)-99 (the 90s Line) were inspected on October 31, 2008. The inspection team observed (1) no evidence of recent stormwater runoff; (2) no evidence of excessive recent erosion in the drainages; (3) no evidence of non-stormwater discharges; (4) the existing BMPs (juniper bales) are adequate for controlling sediment and erosion at the site; and (5) no maintenance is required. Four photographs documenting these inspections are included as Attachment 1.

If you have questions, please call John McCann at (505) 665-1091 (jmccann@lanl.gov) or Woody Woodworth at (505) 665-5820 (lwoodworth@doeal.gov).

Sincerely,

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Enclosure: Photographs documenting inspections (LA-UR-08-7492)

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Photo 1 Annual BMP inspection of Consolidated Unit 16-008(a)-99. View to the west, looking at BMPs including juniper bales and vegetation.



Photo 2 Annual BMP inspection of Consolidated Unit 16-0089a)-99. View to the south, looking at BMPs including juniper bales and vegetation.



Photo 3 Annual BMP inspection of Consolidated Unit 16-008(a)-99. View to the southwest, looking at BMPs including juniper bales and vegetation.



Photo 4 Annual BMP inspection of Consolidated Unit 16-008(a)-99. View to the south, looking at BMPs including juniper bales and vegetation.