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Dear Ms. Wastler:

This letter is to inform you that the Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management (OCRWM) has issued Revision 8 of the OCRWM Quality Assurance Requirements and Description (QARD) document, DOE/RW-0333P. The purpose of this revision is to allow for a graded approach for qualification of personnel, to clarify the applicability of software requirements, to clarify data requirements and add technical assessment as a data qualification method, and to establish requirements for expert elicitation.

These changes result in three reductions in commitment. A summary of the changes and a description of reductions in commitment are identified in Enclosure 3, "Evaluation of QARD, Revision 8 Changes."

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact either Robert W. Clark at (702) 794-5583 or Catherine E. Hampton at (702) 794-1387.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures:

1. OCRWM QARD, Revision 8
2. Evaluation of QARD, Revision 8 Changes
3. Ltr. 12/26/95, Gillen to Milner, w/encl

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