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Following site remediation activities at these sites, NRC staff will review information contained in the Final Status Survey (FSS) reports and compare the remaining levels of residual radioactivity to the MOU trigger levels. If the FSS measurements exceed the trigger levels of the MOU, consultation between the agencies will occur in accordance with the MOU.

If you have any questions regarding this letter or the decommissioning activities at Saxton, Kirtland AFB, or Haddam Neck, please contact Mr. John T. Greeves, Director of the Division of Waste Management and Environmental Protection, at 301-415-7437.

Sincerely,

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