

## **Trip Summary for February 2 through 4, 2005**

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) and contractor Advanced Technologies and Laboratories, International (ATL) staff traveled to New Mexico to gather information in support of the development of a final environmental impact statement (EIS) for the proposed National Enrichment Facility (NEF) in Lea County, New Mexico.

### February 2, 2005

Christine Schulte (NRC), Don Palmrose (ATL), and Alan Toblin (ATL) met with the Roswell District Office of the State Engineers Office to research and verify information received on water wells southwest of the proposed NEF site. Roswell District Office personnel Jerald Welton, Margaret Wolf, and Ken Fresquez provided access to records Township 21S and 22S Range 37E and 38E and information aiding in the interpretation on well declarations and well log readings.

### February 3, 2005

Christine Schulte (NRC), Darani Reddick (NRC), Don Palmrose (ATL) and Alan Toblin (ATL) met with or contacted the following people:

- Ron Abousleman, Eunice City Manager. Obtained information necessary to resolve public comments. Topics included the potential for future business development and the possibility of a resident living closer than the distance presented in the DEIS. Also, obtained a copy of City of Eunice Ordinance No. 381 concerning restrictions on water consumption during drought or emergency conditions.
- Robert Wallach and Bob Wallach (father and son), owners of Wallach Concrete. Discussed and viewed the Wallach Concrete quarry operations north of the proposed NEF. This included a visit to observe the existing ponds and local geology, as well as a discussion about Wallach Concrete's relationship with Sundance Services.
- Kelly Roach, plant manager of Sundance Services. Discussed the line of 140 monitoring wells along the southern property line. These wells are 70 to 100 feet deep, sampled quarterly, and analyzed by Cardinal Labs in Hobbs, NM. Mr. Roach provided contact information for monitoring well results.
- Winnie Sims Kennann of S&D Ranch LLC (owners of the land containing water well identified by State Engineer). Arranged permission to view the site of potential water wells to the southwest of the proposed NEF (off and near to County Road E17).
- Leo Sims, nephew of Mrs. Kennann. Discussed the status of wells along Monument Draw. He provided an additional contact, Pat McCasland, as the person who has sampled the wells on S&D Ranch property. Arranged to meet Pat McCasland on February 4, 2005.

February 4, 2005

Darani Reddick (NRC), Don Palmrose (ATL) and Alan Toblin (ATL) met with Pat McCasland and Iain Olness of Environmental Plus, Inc., at their office in Eunice, NM. Discussed the status of the wells along Monument Draw to the southwest of the proposed NEF; also discussed the known hydrogeology of this section of the Monument Draw.