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Washington, DC 20585

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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Attn: Document Control Desk  
Deputy Director  
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Subject: Revised Field Work Plan for Disposal Cell Cover Study at the Bluewater, New Mexico, Site *Effects of Soil-Forming Processes on Cover Engineering Properties, Field Work Plan, Bluewater Disposal Site, New Mexico*

To Whom It May Concern:

Enclosed is a revised field work plan for the joint U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC)/U.S. Department of Energy Office of Legacy Management (DOE-LM) cover study planned for the Bluewater, New Mexico disposal cell. DOE-LM emailed the draft field work plan to NRC on November 9, 2015. The enclosed revision addresses comments received from NRC on the draft plan.

Please call me if you have any questions at (970) 248-6073. Please send any correspondence to

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Sincerely,

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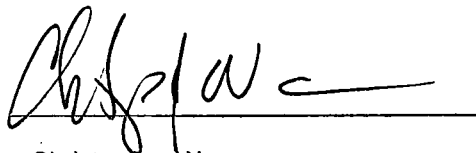
This letter contains no new regulatory commitments.

Should you have any questions concerning this letter or require additional information, please contact Mr. Glen Metzger at 412-234-0573 or Mr. Christopher Wamser at 802-451-3102.

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