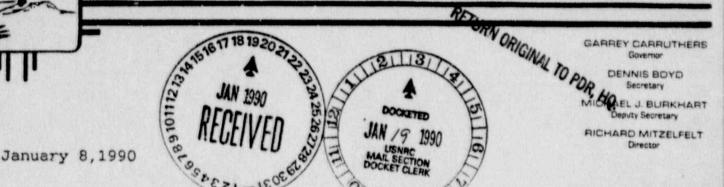


New Mexico Health and Environment Department



Dear Mr. Ferdinand:

The Special Waste Bureau(SWB) of the Environmental Improvement Division(EID) is interested in obtaining updated information regarding activities related to reclamation plans of mill sites and stabilization of the tailings pile.

The bureau was recently invited by Anaconda Minerals Company to view their reclamation efforts, and, we must say that we were impressed with their professionalism and expertise.

By this letter I am requesting a visit to your facility at a date that would be convenient to you and your staff for purposes of having a mutual exchange of information. It has been some time since we have visited together and I think that it would be beneficial to get reacquainted and develop a rapport.

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