



UNITED STATES  
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION  
REGION IV  
1600 EAST LEMAR BOULEVARD  
ARLINGTON, TEXAS 76011-4511

November 12, 2021

Mr. Aaron Bestor  
Radiation Safety Officer  
National Institutes of Health  
Rocky Mountain Laboratories, NIAID  
903 South 4<sup>th</sup> Street  
Hamilton, Montana 59840

SUBJECT: RECEIPT OF LETTER – ACKNOWLEDGEMENT LETTER

Dear Mr. Bestor:

This letter acknowledges the receipt of your letter dated October 4, 2021, "NRC Information Notice 2021-1: Buried Waste Vault" ([ML21294A069](#)). Please keep available for inspection and retain all records (e.g., any documents, photos, laboratory analysis records, etc.) related to the discovery, remediation, transfer, and disposal of the buried waste vault in accordance with the applicable recordkeeping requirements as identified in License Condition 32 of your NRC radioactive materials license 25-01203 and 10 CFR 20.2108.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and its enclosure will be available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the NRC's document system (ADAMS). ADAMS is accessible from the NRC Web site at [www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html](http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html).

We appreciate you bringing this information to our attention. Thank you for taking the time to investigate this issue and implementing a corrective action.

A. Bestor

2

If you have any questions or need additional information, please call me at (817)-200-1455.

Sincerely,



Signed by Roldan-Otero, Lizette  
on 11/12/21

Lizette Roldan-Otero, Ph.D., Chief  
Materials Inspection Branch  
Division of Nuclear Materials Safety  
Region IV

Docket No. 030-05167  
License No. 25-01203

RECEIPT OF LETTER – ACKNOWLEDGEMENT LETTER, DATED NOVEMBER 12, 2021

**DISTRIBUTION:**

MMuessle, D/DNMS

LHowell, DD/DNMS

R4DNMS\_MIB

DOCUMENT NAME: RML-RECEIPT OF LETTER – ACKNOWLEDGEMENT LETTER

ADAMS ACCESSION NUMBER: **ML21305B015**

SUNSI Review      ADAMS:       Non-Publicly Available       Non-Sensitive      Keyword:  
By: ADW4       Yes  No       Publicly Available  Sensitive

OFFICE	TWFN: OCHCO	BC: MIB				
NAME	ADWillis	LRoldan-Otero				
SIGNATURE	ADW	LRO				
DATE	11/01/2021	11/12/21				

**OFFICIAL RECORD COPY**