



Subject: Phill Carrell, Sr., President, CDOD--Comments to NMED

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The Carlsbad Department of Development considers the requested modification of the Department of Energy (DOE) Permit to be acceptable. It allows the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) the control over waste characterization that they have sought. It allows for fingerprinting of waste and the increase in storage capacity and storage areas does not appear to impact human health or the environment. There appears to be no reason for this modification to be moved a Class 3 status.

We realize that the NMED must evaluate each modification to the WIPP Permit as to its overall impact on New Mexico. However, we believe that the decision should be weighted with regards to those of us who live, work, and raise our families in Carlsbad and Eddy County. As you are aware, the representatives from the City of Carlsbad, Eddy County, the Carlsbad Public School System and our agency all have publicly supported this modification at your meeting in Santa Fe.

We ask that you strongly consider this public support in your ultimate decision.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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