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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

Environment and Safety Directorate

Ms. Cheryl Frischkorn
Hazardous Waste Bureau
New Mexico Environment Department
2905 East Rodeo Park Road, Building 1
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505-6303



Dear Ms. Frischkorn:

White Sands Missile Range has been performing groundwater monitoring at the High Energy Laser Systems Test Facility (HELSTF) Cleaning Facility as required. Enclosed for your review are two copies of the report and a CD received from the US Geologic Survey (USGS) in September 2003, concerning recently completed sampling activities at HELSTF. The Report includes a summary of the analytical results as well as all QA/QC lab data for the analytes of concern (volatiles, semivolatiles, extractable petroleum products, and total metals) based upon available information for the period July 2, 7 and 8, 2003. The report submitted is entitled:

United States Army White Sands Missile Range, Ground Water Monitoring at the High Energy Laser Systems Test Facility (HELSTF), Cleaning Facility RCRA Monitoring Well Sampling, Analytical Results of Samples Collected July 2, 7 and 8, 2003 (prepared September 2003).

Copies of this correspondence are also being furnished to Mr. John Kieling, NMED HWB; Ms. Marcie Leavit, GWQB, NMED; and Mr. David Neleigh, Region VI EPA.

We hope that the enclosed report satisfactorily addresses any questions regarding our groundwater monitoring activities at the HELSTF. Should you have any further questions please contact Mr. Robert Peters (505) 678-1007.

Sincerely,

Thomas A. Ladd
Director, Environment and Safety Directorate

Enclosure