John E. Kieling, Chief
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New Mexico Environment Department
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Re: Reclassify DOE Permit Modification Request for the Addition of Three
Hazardous Waste Management Units at LANL’s Plutonium Facility to a
Class 3 Requiring Public Comment, Public Hearing, and Judicial Review

Dear Mr. Kieling:

Please reclassify the recent Department of Energy (DOE) permit modification request to
add three hazardous waste management units at the Plutonium Facility at Los Alamos
National Laboratory from a Class 2 to a Class 3.

Clearly, DOE is proposing a significant 53 percent increase in the storage capacity at the
Plutonium Facility. The request asks for a 94,545-gallon increase. The existing
permitted waste storage volume is 177,887 gallons. See Attachment J-1, *Active Portion
of the Facility*, to the LANL hazardous waste facility permit. DOE is proposing a 53
percent increase in storage, requiring that the request be designated as a Class 3 permit
modification request. Please notify DOE that it must resubmit its request as a Class 3
permit modification request.

Thank you for your careful consideration of my request. Please include my name and
contact information on the Facility Mailing List for LANL.

Sincerely,

[Contact info]