



## Department of Energy

Washington, DC 20585

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Dr. Charles F. McMillan  
President and Laboratory Director  
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Dear Dr. McMillan:

This letter serves as notification of the Office of Enterprise Assessments' Office of Enforcement's decision to conduct an investigation into the facts and circumstances associated with the remediation of selected transuranic waste drums at Los Alamos National Laboratory and its potential relationship to the radiological release event at the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant.

The Office of Enforcement will conduct this investigation pursuant to the authority set forth in 10 C.F.R. § 820.21, *Investigations*. The investigation may include a site visit (date to be determined) and interviews of contractor personnel. A request for documents to support the investigation will be sent separately via e-mail.

Under the Major Fraud Act (MFA), as amended, 41 U.S.C. § 4310, this investigation may be a proceeding commenced by the United States that relates to a violation of, or the failure to comply with, a Federal regulation. Costs incurred in connection with such a proceeding are subject to the reimbursement restrictions of the MFA implemented at 48 C.F.R. § 31.205-47. As a result, any costs incurred by Los Alamos National Security, LLC that are directly attributable to supporting the Department of Energy's investigation, subsequent to receipt of this letter, should be tracked and segregated from other potentially allowable costs.

If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact me at (301) 903-7707 or your staff may contact Mr. Kevin Mattern, Office of Nuclear Safety Enforcement, at (301) 903-0883.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Steven C. Simonson".

Steven C. Simonson  
Director  
Office of Enforcement  
Office of Enterprise Assessments

cc: Kimberly Davis Lebak, NA-LA  
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