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Patrick Peck Camino Real Environmental Center, Inc. 1000 Camino Real Blvd. Sunland Park, NM 88063

Re: Oil and Gas Generation, Transportation and Refinery Wastes Camino Real Environmental Center

Dear Sir/Madam,

A recent administrative law decision from the New Mexico Environment Department has eliminated the option of disposing of certain oil and gas exploration, production, transportation and refining wastes. No wastes identified as oil and gas wastes, except "domestic" oil and gas wastes will be allowed to be disposed in any solid waste facility authorized under the Solid Waste Act, NMSA 1978, §§74-9-1 through 42. Domestic waste is household type waste. The effective date of the decision is December 18, 2000.

If it has been your practice to accept such wastes, this letter shall serve as your official notice to cease such activity. Failure to comply with this notice may result in enforcement actions, which may include the assessment of monetary penalties.

If you have any questions or would like a copy of the decision, please feel free to contact me at (505) 827-2924.

Sincerely

Charles & Hules, Manager Enforcement Section Solid Waste Bureau

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cc: Butch Tongate, Chief, Solid Waste Bureau Tannis Fox, Office of General Counsel, NMED

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