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Dear Mr. Kieling:

Subject:

Request for Certificate of Completion without Controls for Area of

Concern C-21-001 in the DP Site Aggregate Area

References:

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Laboratory," draft, Volume 1 of 2, Comprehensive Environmental Assessment and Response Program, Environment and Health Division, Environmental Programs Branch, Albuquerque Operations Office, Albuquerque, New Mexico

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In accordance with Section XXI of the 2016 Compliance Order on Consent (the Consent Order), the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) is requesting a certificate of completion without controls for one area of concern (AOC), C-21-001, within the DP Site Aggregate Area at Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL).

AOC C-21-001 is a one-time spill of hydrogen fluoride inside a corridor in building 21-017 (Figure 1) (LANL 1991) that occurred in the 1950s (DOE 1987). The quantity of hydrogen fluoride spilled is unknown. Building 21-017 was built in 1945 and connected buildings 21-004 and 21-005 (LASL 1946). In 1969, the building was removed (LANL 1991). Building 21-315 was built on top of the former location of building 21-017. Hydrogen fluoride in liquid form vaporizes when exposed to air, such as during a spill. Because this spill occurred within a building and the hydrogen fluoride would have dispersed into the air, no soil contamination resulted and no activities are needed under the Consent Order to address this one-time spill. Therefore, DOE is requesting a certificate of completion without controls for AOC C-21-001.

If you have any questions, please contact Cheryl Rodriguez at (505) 665-5330 (cheryl.rodriguez@em.doe.gov).

Sincerely,

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Enclosures:

1. Figure 1, Location of AOC 21-001 (EM2018-0098)

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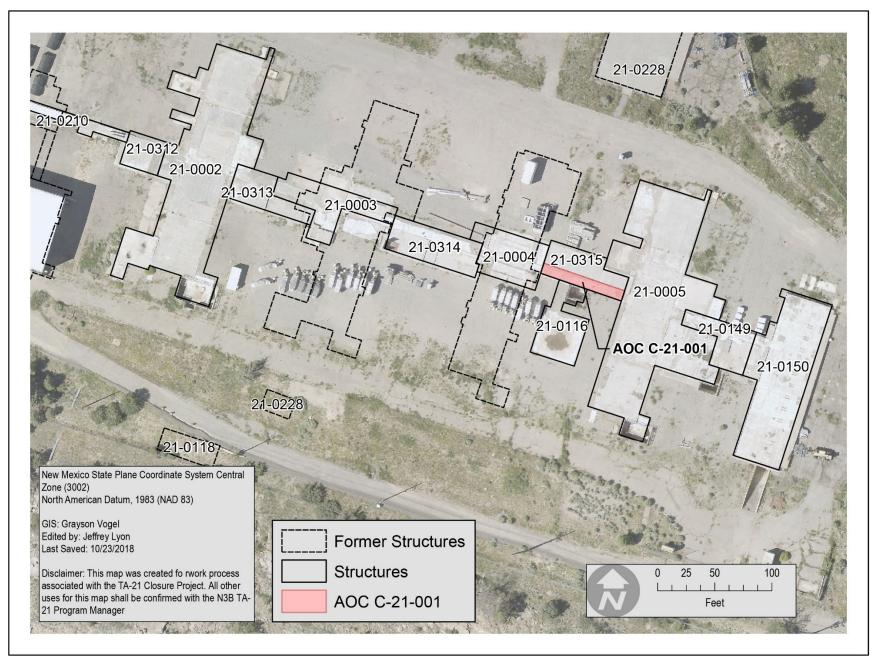


Figure 1 Location of AOC C-21-001