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Mr. Walt Coffman
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SUBJECT: Contract No. DE-NE0008613 - Response to Letter of Concern over the Deep Borehole Characterization Field Test (AS-CMD-17-062)

REFERENCE: Letter, Mr. Walt Coffman to Suzette M. Olson, Subject: DOE Deep Borehole Nuclear Waste Field Test, Otero DBFT, or DBFT, Contractor is TerranearPMC (TPMC), Contract No. DE-NE0008613, dated May 21, 2017

Letter, Mr. Walt Coffman to Mr. Andrew Griffith, Subject: DOE Deep Borehole Nuclear Waste Field Test, Otero DBFT, or DBFT, Contractor is TerranearPMC (TPMC), Contract No. DE-NE0008613, dated May 21, 2017

Dear Mr. Coffman:

Thank you for your letters. We would like to assure you that we are monitoring all of the correspondence, both positive and negative, that we receive from potential stakeholders. We are also actively monitoring the contract progress of the four borehole contractors.

The first criterion in the contract for the DOE down selection is the degree of public acceptance. Your letter will be taken into account during this down selection process which is scheduled in approximately 20 weeks.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Suzette M. Olson".

Suzette Olson, Contracting Officer
Contract Management Division