Dear Mr. Martinez:

This is in response to your letter of July 24, 2002, requesting a determination regarding the proposed Celerity Energy NDR project in the City of Albuquerque and Bernalillo County, New Mexico. The project would network 15 existing standby electric generators, located at various facilities in the area, to provide electric capacity into the Public Service Company of New Mexico system. Your request concerns the relationship between Celerity Energy and those facilities which would participate in the project, and whether the entire NDR project should be considered as one stationary source for air quality permitting purposes.

As the City of Albuquerque is the permitting authority, you must ultimately decide whether Celerity's network of electric generators is one stationary source for purposes of implementing your New Source Review and Part 70 programs. However, considering the information you provided to us, the Environmental Protection Agency Region 6 concurs with you that the standby electric generators under the NDR project are under common control, are contiguous or adjacent to one another, are in the same industrial grouping, and accordingly one stationary source.
We trust that our response to your request is helpful, and should you have any questions or require further assistance on this matter, please contact me at (214) 665-7250, or Rick Barrett of my staff at (214) 665-7227.

Sincerely yours,

David W. Neleigh
Chief
Air Permits Section

cc: Ms. Sandra Ely
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New Mexico Environment Department