Subject: Fwd: Press Note: Bingaman, Domenici, Udall, Richardson, LANL, UC, and NNSA have all argued against Los Case 1:18-cy-00248-SCY-JHR Document 1-8 Filed 03/14/18 Page 1 of 1 Alamos becoming a larger, permanent plutonium "pit" production site

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Dear Ms. Gordon-Hagerty (Lisa) --

My name is Greg Mello. With my wife and partner Trish Williams-Mello, I direct the Los Alamos Study Group. I look forward to meeting you some day. I, or sometimes Trish and I, come to Washington every few months and perhaps one of those trips would be a convenient time.

I thought you would be interested in the short missive sent yesterday to congressional and other contacts on the Hill as well as reporters. I sent it to Harris Walker yesterday, but late in the day, with a request to forward to you. I don't know if he was in the office (it being Friday now) or whether he has had a chance to forward it. Hence this note.

We have an active Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request filed with NNSA for a redacted version of the pit production Analysis of Alternatives (AoA). Our understanding is that this is an UCNI document. Since this document has been disseminated and briefed well beyond the senior officials such as yourself who will be making a recommendation pursuant to Section 3141 of the FY18 National Defense Authorization Act, and since this AoA will be further refined by subsequent analyses that will be the immediate basis for your recommendation, we believe this AoA should be released to the non-materially-interested public in appropriately redacted form. We are nearly sure some contractors -- the interest-conflicted public, and a powerful lobby -- have it already.

We have considerable experience in this topic and others, and if we can be of assistance we will try to be.

I understand you are visiting the Savannah River Site today. I hope the trip goes well.

Best wishes,

Greg Mello