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- WHAT:** News conference to make public monitoring team report about substantive technical deficiencies found in the recent independent compliance audit of Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) under the federal Clean Air Act radioactive emission standards.
- WHO:** Dr. Arjun Makhijani, President, Institute for Energy and Environmental Research (IEER). Dr. Makhijani is the court-authorized monitor for the plaintiffs in the litigation that charged the Department of Energy (DOE) with the Clean Air Act violations at LANL.
- Joni Arends, Esq., Waste Programs Director, Concerned Citizens for Nuclear Safety (CCNS). CCNS initiated the litigation against DOE for Clean Air Act violations at LANL in 1994.
- WHEN:** **Wednesday, December 18, 2002 --10:00am**
- WHERE:** Inn on the Alameda Conference Room  
330 East Alameda, Santa Fe, New Mexico
- WHY:** The Consent Decree which settled CCNS's litigation against the DOE for repeated violations of the Clean Air Act at LANL provided for a monitoring team to review federal court-approved audits of the laboratory's compliance with radioactive emission standards. IEER was chosen as the monitor to perform that analysis.

At the Wednesday morning news conference, Dr. Makhijani will explain IEER's report, which documents substantive deficiencies in the audit process of LANL's compliance with the Clean Air Act. Ms. Arends will then describe the next steps that CCNS will take to force LANL to comply with the federal Clean Air Act.

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