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This letter is to attest to the qualifications of Van B. Graves and Phil T. Spampinato to direct and perform work with the reception, testing, filling and operation of the mercury loop associated with the upcoming MERIT Mercury Loop Experiment. Each of these gentlemen has extensive experience with mercury handling operations with the Target Test Facility at Oak Ridge National Laboratory. They received training on the properties, health hazards, and the various controls available to eliminate or mitigate the hazards of mercury during normal and abnormal operations (including spills). They have participated in periodic medical monitoring that confirmed the adequacy of their controls and techniques to properly prevent exposure. Additionally, Adam J. Carroll has recent experience and training, and is qualified to operate the loop control system without supervision. He may function in an assistance mode to Graves or Spampinato during direct mercury handling operations and during loop installation.

If you would like additional information, I can be reached via e-mail at [baldwinme@ornl.gov](mailto:baldwinme@ornl.gov).

Sincerely,



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