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**RE: RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR THE USE OF EPA METHOD 6020 FOR
ANALYSIS OF FILTERED TOTAL CHROMIUM AS A SUBSTITUTE FOR US
EPA METHOD 7199 FOR HEXAVALENT CHROMIUM,
LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY (LANL),
EPA ID #NM0890010515**

Messrs. Gregory and McInroy:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) is in receipt of the Department of Energy and the Los Alamos National Security, LLC's (collectively, the "Permittees") *Request for the use of EPA Method 6020 for Analysis of Filtered Total Chromium as a Substitute for EPA Method 7199 for Hexavalent Chromium*, dated June 28, 2006 and referenced by EP2006-0612. NMED has reviewed this document and hereby approves the Permittees request to use U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Method 6020 for analyzing total chromium as a surrogate for EPA Method 7199 for hexavalent chromium.

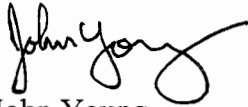


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