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RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

December 13, 2006

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**RE: EXTENSION REQUEST APPROVAL FOR THE SUBMITTAL OF THE  
GROUNDWATER BACKGROUND REPORT, WELL SCREEN ANALYSIS  
REPORT AND PILOT WELL REHABILITATION STUDY RESULTS  
LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY  
EPA ID #NM0890010515**

Dear Messrs. Gregory and Phelps:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) is in receipt of the Department of Energy and Los Alamos National Security, LLC (collectively, the Permittees) extension request for submittal of the *Well Screen Analysis Report, Revision 1*, and the proposed submittal dates of the *Groundwater Background Investigation Report* and the *Summary of Pilot Well Rehabilitation Study Initial Results*, dated December 1, 2006 and referenced by EP2006-1045. Specifically, the Permittees propose the noted submittal dates for the following documents:

- 1) *Groundwater Background Investigation Report, Revision 2* – Proposed submittal December 22, 2006;
- 2) *Well Screen Analysis Report Revision 1* and NOD response – Proposed submittal January 31, 2007; and
- 3) *Summary of Pilot Well Rehabilitation Study Initial Results* – Proposed submittal February 28, 2007.



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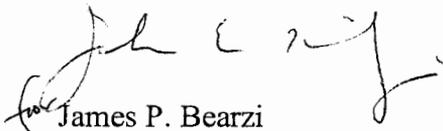
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As specified above, NMED hereby approves the request. Documents submitted later than the corresponding date will be subject to enforcement action.

NMED will extend corresponding notice dates for documents that rely on the approval of the listed documents for characterization, risk assessments and other corrective action decisions a commensurate amount of time, including the time needed for review and approval of the listed documents. For example, notice dates for the Mortandad Canyon Investigation Report, the 16-260 Outfall Corrective Measures Evaluation for Intermediate, Material Disposal Area H, and Regional Groundwater, the Interim Measures Report for Chromium in Groundwater may be extended as representative groundwater data (including the background data set) is necessary to approve investigation reports and proposed corrective measures.

Should you have any questions, please contact John Young of my staff at (505) 476-6038.

Sincerely,



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