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Mr. John E. Kieling
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Dear Mr. Kieling:

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR AN EXTENSION OF THE PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR THE REVIEW OF THE LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY (LANL) DRAFT HAZARDOUS WASTE FACILITY PERMIT

The purpose of this letter is for the National Nuclear Security Administration and Los Alamos National Security, LLC (NNSA/LANS) to request an extension of 120 days to the currently allotted 60 day review period provided in the Public Notice and Fact Sheet published by the Hazardous Waste Bureau on August 27, 2007. This request is made after a four week preliminary review of the document by NNSA/LANS staff. It is our opinion that due to the significant number of permit conditions and the large amount of detail regarding waste management practices contained in this document that the initially proposed 60 day review period is insufficient for the Laboratory to conduct the in-depth review that a document of this nature requires. This request is consistent with conversations with the Hazardous Waste Bureau's staff in a meeting on August 30, 2007.

Additionally, the possibility of a facility request for a public hearing was previously discussed in a phone conversation between you and Jack Ellvinger (LANS) on September 20, 2007. At that time, it was agreed that including a hearing request with the extension request was appropriate. Therefore NNSA/LANS wish to preserve the option of a public hearing on the LANL Draft Hazardous Waste Facility Permit and so request one at this time.



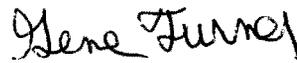
Thank you for your consideration of these requests. If you have any questions or concerns about these requests please contact either Gene Turner at (505) 667-5794 or Jack Ellvinger at (505) 667-0663.

Sincerely,



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