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Subject: Request for Extension to Install Sampling Systems at Wells R-5, R-7, R-8, and R-9i and to Submit the Letter Confirming Installation

Dear Mr. Kieling:

This letter requests extensions from the October 11, 2012, date to install sampling systems at wells R-5, R-7, R-8, and R-9i to a new date of October 11, 2014, and from the November 1, 2012, date to submit the letter confirming the installation to a new date of November 1, 2014.

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) and Los Alamos National Security (LANS), LLC, request this extension in order to continue focusing efforts on accelerating the shipment of aboveground transuranic (TRU) waste from Los Alamos National Laboratory's Technical Area 54, Area G, to the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant. This focus will result in a material reduction of environmental risk. This acceleration of TRU waste shipments will also allow DOE/LANS to support the environmental priorities established by the New Mexico Environment Department and the State of New Mexico.

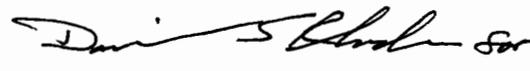
These new dates to install sampling systems at wells R-5, R-7, R-8, and R-9i and to submit the letter confirming the installation of the wells were developed to support the mutual goal of environmental risk reduction. DOE/LANS request this extension under Section III.J.2 of the Compliance Order on Consent.

If you have any questions, please contact Victoria George at (505) 667-7883 (torig@lanl.gov) or David Rhodes at (505) 665-5325 (david.rhodes@nnsa.doe.gov).

Sincerely,

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