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**RE: APPROVAL
REQUEST FOR EXTENSION
RESPONSE TO THE DISAPPROVAL FOR THE 2012 MONITORING
PLAN FOR LOS ALAMOS AND PUEBLO CANYONS SEDIMENT
TRANSPORT MITIGATION PROJECT, REVISION 1
LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY
EPA ID #NM0890010515
HWB-LANL-12-016**

Dear Messrs. Rael and Graham:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has received the United States Department of Energy (DOE) and the Los Alamos National Security L.L.C.'s (LANS) (collectively, the Permittees) *Request for Extension for the Response to the Disapproval for the 2012 Monitoring Plan for the Los Alamos and Pueblo Canyons Sediment Transport Mitigation Project, Revision 1* (Request), dated June 22, 2012 and referenced by EP2012-0149. The Permittees cite the short turnaround time and the limited availability of resources needed to respond to the comments and revise the document.

NMED has determined that the Permittees have provided good cause and hereby grants the requested extension. During the extension period, the Permittees must abide by the requirements listed in the Disapproval letter dated June 14, 2012 because this stormwater sample collection during this season is critical for understanding the effects of the Las Conchas Fire of 2011 and in

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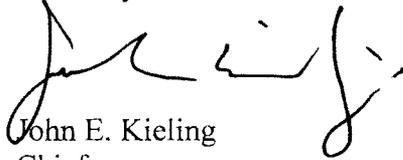
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mitigating possible stormwater contaminant effects to the Buckman Direct Diversion water supply for the City of Santa Fe.

The revised *2012 Monitoring Plan for Los Alamos and Pueblo Canyons Sediment Transport Mitigation Project* must be submitted to NMED no later than **July 24, 2012**, as requested.

Please contact Ben Wear at (505) 476-6041 should you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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