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**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR EXTENSION FOR SUBMITTAL OF
 MODIFICATION FOR THE CANYONS INVESTIGATION CORE
 WORK PLAN (FORMER OU 1049)**

Dear Dr. Dinwiddie:

The Los Alamos National Laboratory's Environmental Restoration Project received a conditional approval upon modification for the Canyons Investigation Core Work Plan and the Response to the Request for Supplemental Information for the Canyons Investigation Core Work Plan. The response to the modifications was due to your office within 30 days of receipt of the letter (January 1, 1998). We would like to request an extension for submitting the modifications until March 1, 1998. Our request is based on the fact that the Laboratory closes for the winter break from December 25, 1997, to January 5, 1998. Given the extent of the requested modifications, we would not be able to address your concerns adequately in this timeframe.

We are committed to submitting a quality report and would appreciate the additional time requested in order to meet this commitment. Please call Allyn Pratt at (505) 667-4308 or Bonnie Koch at (505) 665-7202 if you have any questions regarding this extension request.

Sincerely,

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