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**CERTIFIED MAIL-RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

May 29, 2007

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**RE: APPROVAL OF RESPONSE TO APPROVAL WITH DIRECTION  
MORTANDAD CANYON INVESTIGATION REPORT  
LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY,  
EPA ID #NM0890010515  
HWB-LANL-06-022**

Dear Messrs. Gregory and McInroy:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) is in receipt of the "Response to Comments on Section 8 in Approval with Direction, Mortandad Canyon Investigation Report" [Response] dated March 30, 2007 and referenced by EP2007-0175 and LA-UR-07-1951 (supplement to LA-UR-06-6752). The NMED hereby approves the Response. Per the Response, a revised Mortandad Canyon risk assessment report (as replacement pages) incorporating all approved changes, with an accompanying matrix cross referencing the approved changes and revisions, must be submitted no later than June 30, 2007.

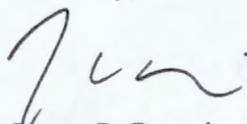


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Should you have any questions, please contact John Young of my staff at (505) 428-2538.

Sincerely,



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