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**CERTIFIED MAIL – RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

June 27, 2007

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**RE: REQUEST FOR CHANGES TO CONSENT ORDER DUE DATES FOR PAJARITO CANYON AND SANDIA CANYON INVESTIGATION REPORTS  
EPA ID #NM0890010515**

Dear Messrs. Gregory and McInroy:

This letter serves to correct conflicting submittal dates for the Pajarito Canyon Investigation Report indicated in New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) correspondence dated May 29, 2007 regarding the approval of the Phase 3 sediment investigation and the biota investigation work plan for Pajarito Canyon.

In a letter titled *Request for Changes to Consent Order Due Dates for Pajarito Canyon and Sandia Canyon Investigation Reports* (Letter) dated January 30, 2007 and referenced by EP2007-0058, the Department of Energy and Los Alamos National Security, LLC (collectively, the Permittees) requested an extension of time for submittal of the Pajarito Canyon Investigation Report from February 29, 2008 to September 30, 2008. NMED hereby approves the extension of time for submittal of the Pajarito Canyon Investigation Report from February 29, 2007 to September 30, 2008. This extension was agreed to in an effort to advance the reporting of Sandia Canyon/chromium investigation results.



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NMED remains concerned, however, that this 7-month delay could negatively impact progress towards closure of the material disposal areas (MDAs) located at Technical Areas 50 and 54, and ultimately cause the Permittees to miss key closure milestones in Chapter XII of the Consent Order. NMED encourages the Permittees to seek ways to expedite the submittal of the Pajarito Canyon Work Plan prior to the September 30, 2008 submittal date to the greatest extent possible.

Should you have any questions or comments, please contact John Young at (505) 476-6038.

Sincerely,



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