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July 28, 2009

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**RE: APPROVAL OF REQUEST FOR EXTENSION TO SUBMIT THE SANDIA
CANYON INVESTIGATION REPORT
EPA ID #NM0890010515
HWB-LANL-MISC-GW**

Dear Messrs. Gregory and McInroy:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) is in receipt of the United States Department of Energy and Los Alamos National Security, LLC (collectively, the Permittees) document entitled *Request for Extension for the Submittal of the Sandia Canyon Investigation Report* (hereafter, the Request) dated July 17, 2009 and referenced by EP2009-0330.

The Permittees state in the Request that the extension will allow them to collect groundwater data from recently completed monitoring wells R-44 and R-45, and to use these new data to better characterize chromium contamination in the regional aquifer. The Permittees have shown good cause for an extension. NMED therefore grants the extension; the Sandia Canyon Investigation Report (SCIR) must be submitted no later than October 15, 2009. The notice date for NMED's review of the SCIR will be extended by a similar length of time to February 12, 2010.

Should you have any questions, please contact Jerzy Kulis of my staff at (505) 476-6039.

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Sincerely,



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