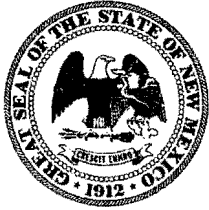


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**RE: APPROVAL OF TIME EXTENSION REQUEST  
UPPER PAJARITO CANYON WATERSHED  
NEST BOX MONITORING REPORT  
LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY  
EPA ID #NM0890010515  
HWB-LANL-10-075**

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 Submittal of the Nest Box Monitoring Report for the Upper Pajarito Canyon Watershed* (Request), dated August 15, 2011 and referenced by EP2011-0275.

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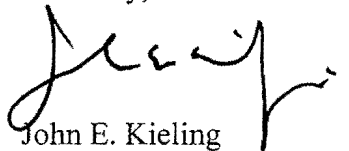
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The Permittees have indicated in their Request that sufficient sample mass is not currently available from the investigation areas to achieve the required analytical detection limits for polychlorinated biphenyl (PCB) congeners. The Permittees have proposed to archive existing 2011 sample material and obtain additional sample mass from nest boxes in the watershed during the 2012 nesting season. The 2012 sample materials will be combined with the 2011 materials and submitted for laboratory analyses in August 2012. The Permittees have requested a time extension to **December 15, 2012** for submitting the Nest Box Monitoring Report for the Upper Pajarito Canyon Watershed.

Pursuant to Section III.J.2 of the Compliance Order on Consent, the Permittees have shown good cause for requesting the extension and NMED hereby approves the extension to December 17, 2012.

Please contact Daniel Comeau at (505) 476-6043, if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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