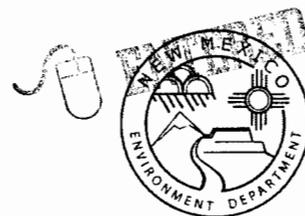


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**RE: APPROVAL
DRILLING WORK PLAN FOR GROUNDWATER EXTRACTION
WELL CrEX-1
LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY
EPA ID#NM0890010515
HWB-LANL-13-026**

Dear Messrs. Maggiore and Mousseau:

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) *Drilling Work Plan for Groundwater Extraction Well CrEX-1*, dated March 18, 2014 and referenced by EP2014-0067 (Plan).

NMED has reviewed the Permittees' Plan for the installation of extraction well CrEX-1. The technical approach to drilling, well construction, and post-completion pumping test is applicable given the complexities of the subsurface environment at the proposed CrEX-1 drill site. NMED hereby approves the Plan. The well completion report for installation of well CrEX-1 must be submitted to NMED no later than **January 29, 2015**.



Messrs. Maggiore and Mousseau
July 8, 2014
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Please contact Michael Dale at (505) 661-2673 if you have questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John E. Kieling". The signature is stylized and includes a small "for" written below it.

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