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CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

November 19, 2010

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RE: APPROVAL OF TIME EXTENSION REQUEST
NOTICE OF DISAPPROVAL RESPONSE
UPPER WATER CANYON AGGREGATE AREA
INVESTIGATION WORK PLAN
LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY
EPA ID #NM0890010515
HWB-LANL-10-070

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 Response to Notice of
Disapproval for Upper Water Canyon Aggregate Area Investigation Work Plan and
Revision 1 (Request), dated and received November 9, 2010 and referenced by EP2010-
0524.

In the Request, the Permittees indicated that a substantial effort will be required to
evaluate additional site historical information in order to conduct additional evaluation of



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existing data required by the Notice of Disapproval as well as requiring substantial revisions to the text, figures and tables in the Investigation Work Plan (IWP), including those related to deep subsurface investigations not originally contemplated in the IWP.

The Permittees have shown good cause for approving the extension and NMED hereby grants the Permittees an extension from November 26, 2010 to **January 14, 2011** to prepare and submit responses to the October 26, 2010 Notice of Disapproval and a revised IWP.

If you have any questions regarding this extension approval, please contact Daniel Comeau at (505) 476-6043.

Sincerely,



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