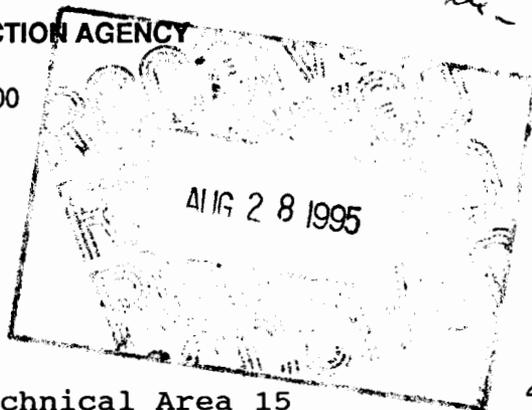




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Re: Request for Extension RFI Report Technical Area 15
Los Alamos National Laboratory NM0890010515

Dear Mr. Taylor:

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has reviewed your extension request for the RFI report at Technical Area 15 which encompasses the following sites: 15-004(a,b,c,f); 15-007(b); 15-008(a and b); 15-009(e and j); and 15-012(b). The RFI Report was due on July 30, 1995, and Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) requested an extension on August 1, 1995, after the due date for the report submission. In the future LANL should request deliverable extensions at least ten days prior to the deliverable due date.

LANL needs to provide additional information to EPA concerning the lateness of this report. LANL indicates that analytical data has not been received; therefore, the report cannot be completed. What is the actual delay in receiving the analytical data? Has the data not been processed at the contract laboratory, or is the data being internally reviewed at LANL? If the data has not been received from the contract laboratories then LANL should provide information related to the contractual timeframes the laboratories are required to meet. LANL should also identify the dates when the analytical is anticipated to be received.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Ms. Barbara Driscoll at (214) 665-7441.

Sincerely,

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