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**CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

May 29, 2007

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**RE: RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR EXTENSION TO SUBMIT AIR DISPERSION  
MODELING REPORT FOR TECHNICAL AREA (TA) 16 AT LOS ALAMOS  
NATIONAL LABORATORY (LANL)  
HWB-LANL-01-006**

Dear Messrs. Glenn and Watkins:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has reviewed the above-referenced letter [ENV-RCRA: 07-108] dated May 15, 2007 submitted by Los Alamos National Security, LLC (LANS) and the US Department of Energy (the Permittees).

As you know, NMED is making great efforts to ensure that the Permittees' draft renewal permit is released for public comment this August; this has been a topic of discussion on numerous occasions between NMED and members of your staff. The Permittees' proposed submittal date of July 26, 2007 will not provide NMED sufficient time to adequately review the above-mentioned document and still release the draft permit on time. NMED therefore denies the Permittees' request for an extension on the submission of the TA-16 air dispersion model and analysis.

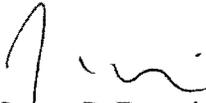


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If you have any questions or comments regarding this letter, please contact Rebecca Kay of my staff at (505) 476-6052.

Sincerely,



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