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**Subject: Request for Extension on Requirement to Include Additional Recommendations for Screen/Well Rehabilitation and New Well Installation in the Upcoming Corrective Measures Evaluation Report, Due August 31, 2007**

Dear Mr. Bearzi:

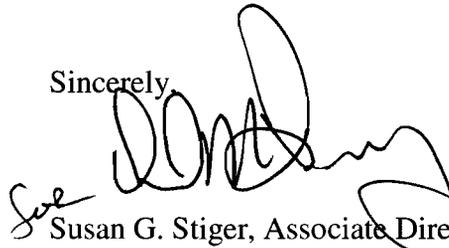
Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) and the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) have received the "Notice of Disapproval (NOD) of the Evaluation of the Suitability of Wells Near Technical Area 16 for Monitoring Contaminant Releases from Consolidated Unit 16-021(c)-99," dated August 15, 2007. In the NOD, the New Mexico Environment Department requested that additional recommendations for screen/well rehabilitation and new well installation be reflected in the corrective measures evaluation (CME) report for Consolidated Unit 16-021(c)-99, due on August 31, 2007. LANL proposes to include additional recommendations for rehabilitation of wells and well screens and for installation of new wells in the response to the subject NOD, due on September 30, 2007. LANL recognizes the need for sound groundwater monitoring networks as we move toward evaluating remedies in the CME/corrective measures implementation (CMI) process.

This request, to provide the recommendations for screen/well rehabilitation as part of the NOD response in September, allows adequate time to complete a technically defensible analysis. This proposal was discussed with John Young on August 17, 2007, and was acceptable to both Mr. Young and Mr. David Cobrain of your staff.

If you have questions, please call John McCann at (505) 665-1091 (jmccann@lanl.gov) or Woody Woodworth at (505) 665-5820 (lwoodworth@doel.gov).



Sincerely,

  
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