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**RE: DIRECTIONS TO INVESTIGATE MAGAZINE AREA A (TA-28) AND
MAGAZINE AREA B (TA-29)
LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY (LANL)
EPA ID #NM0890010515
HWB-LANL-MISC**

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) *Direction to Investigate Magazine Area A (TA-28) and Magazine Area B (TA-29)* (Response) dated February 26, 2010 and referenced by EP2010-0102. NMED has reviewed the Response and hereby issues the following direction.

In a letter dated February 8, 2010, NMED directed the Permittees to search archival records for information regarding two magazine areas (Magazine Area A (former TA-28) and Magazine Area B (former TA-29)) located in Technical Area (TA)-16. NMED also instructed the Permittees to assign Area of Concern (AOC) number designations for the two magazine areas. The Response states that "[n]o new information related to the magazines would change the conclusions of the 1990 SWMU Report. Therefore, Magazines A and B are not newly identified AOCs subject to notification requirements in Section V.C of the March 1, 2005 Order on Consent." NMED reviewed the referenced 1990 SWMU Report and determined that there is sufficient information to designate Magazines A and B as AOCs.

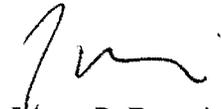


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NMED has assigned AOC number designations to Magazines A and B. Magazine A is designated as **AOC C-16-076** and Magazine B is designated as **AOC C-16-077**. These AOCs must be included in the Upper Water Canyon Aggregate Area Investigation Work Plan.

Please contact Kathryn Roberts at (505) 476-6041 should you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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