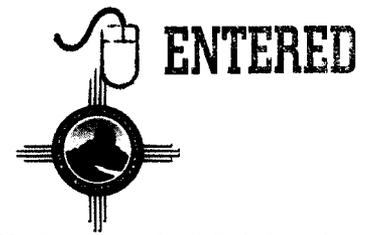




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Subject: Request for Extension for the Tracer Test at Consolidated Unit 16-021(c)-99, Technical Area 16

Dear Mr. Kieling:

This letter requests an extension from the August 31, 2012, date to submit the results of laboratory column testing and the list of tracer compounds selected for deployment at Consolidated Unit 16-021(c)-99 to a new date of November 30, 2012, and from the October 15, 2012, date to deploy tracers and provide notification to a new date of January 27, 2013.

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) and Los Alamos National Security (LANS), LLC, request this extension in order to continue focusing efforts on accelerating the shipment of aboveground transuranic (TRU) waste from Los Alamos National Laboratory's Technical Area 54, Area G, to the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant. This focus will result in a material reduction of environmental risk. This acceleration of TRU waste shipments will also allow DOE/LANS to support the environmental priorities established by the New Mexico Environment Department and the State of New Mexico.

These new dates to submit the results of laboratory column testing and the list of tracer compounds selected for deployment at Consolidated Unit 16-021(c)-99 and to deploy tracers and provide notification were developed to support the mutual goal of environmental risk reduction. DOE/LANS request this extension under Section III.J.2 of the March 2005 Compliance Order on Consent.



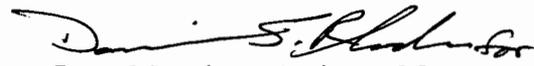
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Sincerely,

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