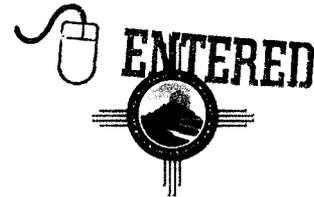




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**Subject: Request for Extension to Obtain Permits and Deploy Tracers for the Tracer Test at Consolidated Unit 16-021(c)-99**

Dear Mr. Kieling:

This letter requests an extension from the January 27, 2013, date to obtain permits and deploy tracers for the tracer test at Consolidated Unit 16-021(c)-99 to a new date of May 30, 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.

This new date to obtain permits and deploy tracers for the test at Consolidated Unit 16-021(c)-99 was developed to support the mutual goal of environmental risk reduction. This new date assumes that additional funding will be available beginning April 1, 2013, to support the completion of this work by May 30, 2013. DOE/LANS request this extension under Section III.J.2 of the March 2005 Compliance Order on Consent.

If you have any questions, please contact John McCann at (505) 665-1091 (jmccann@lanl.gov) or Cheryl Rodriguez at (505) 665-5330 (cheryl.rodriguez@nnsa.doe.gov).

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