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Subject: Request for Extension for Well Completion Summary Fact Sheet for Well R-26i

Dear Mr. Kieling:

This letter requests an extension from the November 30, 2013, date to submit the well completion summary fact sheet for well R-26i to a new date of June 30, 2014. The due dates for predecessor and subsequent activities and deliverables tied to the well completion summary fact sheet (i.e., well completion, well development, and well completion report) will also be adjusted based on this new well completion summary fact sheet delivery date. The U.S. Department of Energy and Los Alamos National Security, LLC (DOE/LANS) request this extension under Section III.J.2 of the March 2005 Compliance Order on Consent.

DOE/LANS request this extension 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 (NMED) and the state of New Mexico.

This new date is the result of the impacts of sequestration-level funding for the remainder of fiscal year (FY) 2014. Although this work is not currently funded in FY2014, per discussions with the NMED, we are requesting an extension only until June 30, 2014. We anticipate that before June 30, 2014, we will submit an additional extension request with a revised date based on NMED priorities, funding constraints, and adequate time to complete the work. Additionally, should funding become available, we will work with your office to identify and prioritize projects that could be completed under the new funding scenario.



If you have any questions, please contact Katie Roberts at (505) 665-0006 (kroberts@lanl.gov) or David Rhodes at (505) 665-5325 (david.rhodes@nnsa.doe.gov).

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