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Mr. James Bearzi  
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**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR AN EXTENSION FOR THE INVESTIGATION REPORT FOR CONSOLIDATED UNIT 21-018(a)-99, MATERIAL DISPOSAL AREA V, AT TECHNICAL AREA 21**

Dear Mr. Bearzi:

In accordance with conversations with Darlene Goering and Katie Chamberlain of your staff, Los Alamos National Laboratory is requesting a 60-day extension to the submission date for the "Investigation Report for Consolidated Unit 21-018(a)-99, Material Disposal Area V, at Technical Area 21." All characterization drilling and sampling activities have proceeded on schedule, but excavation activities are extended because the actual waste volumes are much greater than estimated in the investigation work plan. For example, nearly 1000 cubic yards of construction and demolition debris were removed, compared to the estimated 50 cubic yards. We are also collecting additional confirmation samples as a result of the extra volume of waste removed and require additional time to complete the analyses.

To allow this expansion of scope, we request an extension from the current due date of May 23, 2006, to July 21, 2006. If you have questions, please contact Becky Coel-Roback at (505) 665-5011 (becky\_cr@lanl.gov) or Woody Woodworth at (505) 665-5820 (lwoodworth@doeal.gov).

Sincerely,

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