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RE: EXTENSION REQUEST FOR SUBMITTAL OF THE REPORT FOR VADOSE ZONE MOISTURE MONITORING AT MATERIAL DISPOSAL AREA T AT TECHNICAL AREA 21 LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY EPA ID#NM0890018 HWB-LANL-08-019

Dear Messrs. Maggiore and Graham:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) is in receipt of the United States Department of Energy (DOE) and Los Alamos National Security, L.L.C.'s (collectively, the Permittees) document entitled *Request for Extension to Submit the Report for Vadose Zone Moisture Monitoring at Material Disposal Area T at Technical Area 21* (Report) dated June 1, 2012 and referenced by EP2012-0127.

The Permittees request the extension to submit the Report due to the need to focus on removal of transuranic (TRU) waste from Technical Area (TA) 54 to the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant, located in Eddy County, New Mexico.

The submittal date for the Report has been changed from November 30, 2012 to **November 30, 2014**, as requested. The Permittees must notify NMED, within 30 days of receipt of such information, should funds become available in the future that allow for the Report to be submitted prior to November 30, 2014.

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Please contact Dave Cobrain at (505) 476-6055 if you have questions.

Sincerely,

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