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**CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

January 8, 2014

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**RE: SECOND EXTENSION REQUEST  
TO COMPLETE INSTALLATION OF WELL R-65  
LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY  
EPA ID#NM0890010515  
HWB-LANL-MISC-GW**

Dear Messrs. Maggiore and Mousseau:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) is in receipt of the United States Department of Energy (DOE) and the Los Alamos National Security, L.L.C.'s (collectively, the Permittees) document entitled *Request for Extension to Complete Installation of Well R-65* dated December 18, 2013 and referenced by EP2013-0321.

The Permittees request the extension to complete the installation of well R-65 in order to continue focusing efforts on accelerating the shipment of aboveground transuranic waste to the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant. This is the second extension to complete installation of well R-65 (the previous extension was granted on November 18, 2011).

The date to complete installation of well R-65 has been changed from January 15, 2014 to **June 30, 2014**, as requested.

NMED is concerned over delays that affect the progress of groundwater characterization and remediation; however, NMED is aware of the current uncertainties associated with

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the allocation of DOE resources to the Permittees to fund groundwater monitoring and cleanup at the Laboratory. The Permittees must notify NMED, within seven days of receipt of such information, should funds become available in the future that allow for well R-65 to be completed prior to June 30, 2014. If funding becomes available, NMED may re-evaluate the deadline for completion of this project.

Should you have any questions, please contact Ben Wear of my staff at (505) 476-6041.

Sincerely,



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