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June 21, 2012

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RE: Temporary Permission to Discharge, New Sanitary Septic Tank/Leachfield System at Technical Area 33 (TA-33), DP-1589

Dear Mr. Beers:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has reviewed your request, dated May 17, 2012, for temporary permission to discharge domestic wastewater from four buildings at Technical Area (TA)-33 (168, 114, 19 and 280) of the Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) to a new septic tank/leachfield disposal system (TA-33-0375). The proposed discharge is located in TA-33, approximately 6.8 miles northwest of Los Alamos, in Section 24, T18N, R06E, Los Alamos County.

Temporary permission to discharge is hereby granted for 120 days pursuant to Subsection B of 20.6.2.3106 NMAC of the New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission Regulations. This approval is contingent on your discharging as described in your January 25, 2012 request and other correspondence with NMED Ground Water Quality Bureau staff as applicable. Temporary permission to discharge will expire on October 19, 2012.

This approval does not relieve you of the responsibility to comply with any other applicable federal, state, and/or local laws and regulations, such as zoning requirements and nuisance ordinances. Also, this approval does not relieve you of liability should your operation result in actual pollution of surface or ground waters.

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If you have any questions, please contact Gerald Knutson of the Ground Water Pollution Prevention Section at 505-827-2996.

Sincerely,



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