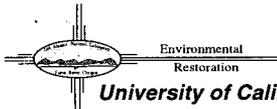


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**SUBJECT: EXTENSION REQUEST FOR RESUBMISSION OF THE TA-39
RFI REPORT FOR PRSs 39-001 (a AND b), 39-004 (a-e), AND
39-008**

Dear Dr. Dinwiddie:

The Los Alamos National Laboratory Environmental Restoration (ER) Project is requesting an extension for resubmission of the Technical Area (TA) 39 Resource Conservation and Recovery Act Facility Investigation (RFI) Report for Potential Release Sites (PRSs) 39-001 (a and b), 39-004 (a-e), and 39-008. As outlined in our December 19, 1997 letter, (Reference EM/ER:97-539), revision and resubmittal of the RFI Report is necessary because of:

- the extensive nature of comments from your office;
- ongoing programmatic negotiations between the Laboratory and your office; and
- the possible need to develop a sampling and analysis plan (SAP) to collect additional data.

These data, in conjunction with previously collected RFI data, will be evaluated, summarized, and presented within a new TA-39 RFI Report for PRSs 39-001 (a and b), 39-004 (a-e), and 39-008. However, current budget and prioritization concerns preclude conducting additional field work and preparing and submitting the new TA-39 RFI Report to your office by September 30, 1998. As part of the Laboratory ER Project re-organization, a new team has assessed data needs and is scheduled to complete the planning process for these sites prior to January 1999. The field work and RFI Report will be completed as part of the FY99 Firing Sites prioritization and aggregation efforts. As a result, we are requesting an extension on the submittal of the TA-39 RFI Report until September 30, 1999.



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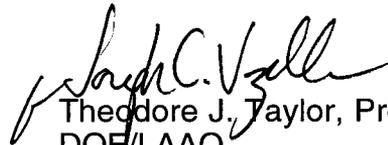
If you have any questions, please call Dave McInroy at (505) 667-0819 or Joe Mose at (505) 667-5808.

Sincerely,



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