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CERTIFIED MAIL – RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

January 27, 2012

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RE: Approval of Time Extension to Submit Application, DP-1132, Radioactive Liquid Waste Treatment Facility (RLWTF)

Dear Mr. Grieggs:

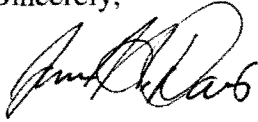
On November 18, 2011, the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) notified Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL), by certified mail (copy enclosed), that a complete and current Discharge Permit application for the RLWTF was required to be submitted within 90 days (by February 16, 2012). On December 9, 2011, NMED received your request for a 90-day time extension to submit the required Discharge Permit application, which was denied on December 30, 2011. A request for a 45-day extension for submittal of certain portions of the application was submitted to NMED, via e-mail on January 18, 2012 (copy enclosed). LANL may not discharge to the Zero Liquid Discharge Evaporative Tanks prior to NMED's approval which may be delayed due to the timeframe in which a full application for the RLWTF is received and reviewed by NMED. **NMED hereby approves a 45-day extension (due by April 1, 2012) to submit the three elements specifically referenced in LANL's letter dated January 17, 2012. All other elements for the Discharge Permit application are required to be submitted to NMED by February 16, 2012.**

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If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Clint Marshall, Program Manager of the Ground Water Pollution Prevention Section, at 505-827-0027 or Jennifer Fullam at 505-827-2909.

Sincerely,



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Director, Resource Protection Division

JD:JF

- enc: Letter from NMED to LANL requiring Discharge Permit application, dated November 18, 2011
E-mail (dated January 18, 2012) from Bob Beers, LANL, with attachment (dated January 17, 2012) requesting extension
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