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SUBJECT: EXTENSION REQUEST FOR RSI PERTAINING TO TA-53 WP/SAP and SAP ADDENDUM FOR PRSs 53-002(a and b) and 53-006(a-e)

Dear Dr. Dinwiddie:

The Los Alamos National Laboratory Environmental Restoration (ER) Project is requesting a 45-day extension to respond to the Request for Supplemental Information (RSI) for Resource Conservation and Recovery Act Facility Investigation Work Plan (WP)/Sampling and Analysis Plan (SAP) for Technical Area (TA)-53 Surface Impoundments, and the TA-53 SAP Addendum. The WP/SAP and SAP Addendum address Potential Release Sites 53-002(a and b) and 53-006(a-e), respectively. The RSI was received by the ER Project Office on December 21, 1998. This extension request is the result of:

- the Laboratory's mandatory closure from December 25, 1998 through January 3, 1999;
- the need to meet with New Mexico Environment Department Hazardous and Radioactive Materials Bureau staff to discuss the information contained within the RSI on January 13, 1999; and
- the unresolved regulatory status of the TA-53 impoundments.

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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