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CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

March 31, 2011

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**RE: REVIEW OF THE PERIODIC MONITORING REPORT
MATERIAL DISPOSAL AREA H
FIRST QUARTER FISCAL YEAR 2011
LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY
EPA ID No: NM0890010515
HWB-LANL-11-014**

Dear Messrs. Rael and Graham:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has received the United States Department of Energy and the Los Alamos National Security, LLC (collectively, the Permittees) *Periodic Monitoring Report for Vapor-Sampling Activities at Material Disposal Area H, Solid Waste Management Unit 54-004, at Technical Area 54, First Quarter Fiscal Year 2011*, (Report) dated March 2011 and referenced by EP2011-0067.

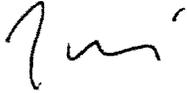
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Sampling results from the Report indicate that volatile organic compounds and tritium continue to be detected in pore gas samples from MDA H. Continue to collect quarterly subsurface vapor samples from four existing boreholes until otherwise directed by NMED. Please contact Ben Wear or my staff at (505) 476-6041 should you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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