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**SUBJECT: Response to Notification of Release ID# 2019-486, Los Alamos National Laboratory**

Dear Ms. Pugh and Mr. Torres:

On July 30, 2019, a representative of Triad National Security, LLC verbally reported an unauthorized discharge at Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) to the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) Ground Water Quality Bureau (GWQB) as required under 20.6.2.1203 NMAC of the Water Quality Control Commission (WQCC) Ground and Surface Water Protection Regulations. Additionally, NMED received associated written reports from the LANL on August 6, 2019 and on August 13, 2019 which included a Request for Administrative Closure.

The report identifies a discharge on July 30, 2019, of hydraulic fluid from a hydraulic system. The discharge was caused by a rupture of the system's hydraulic line (Release ID# 2019-486). The incident resulted in a release of approximately 15 gallons of hydraulic fluid to surrounding roadway, concrete, and gravel at the vehicle access on the west side of Technical Area 55. Upon discovery of the release, LANL staff deployed absorbent materials, pads, and booms to minimize the extent of the release and to recover released hydraulic fluid; Micro-blaze was applied to the impacted concrete and roadway; impacted soil and gravel was removed from site; and the hydraulic line was repaired. The release did not reach a watercourse or impact a Solid Waste Management

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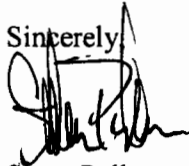
Units, Areas of Concern, or National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Individual Permit Sites.

**Based on information submitted by Triad National Security, LLC, corrective actions for this unauthorized discharge have been completed in a manner that is satisfactory to the GWQB. No further action is required at this time for release ID# 2019-486.**

Nothing in this letter shall be construed as relieving the United States Department of Energy or Triad National Security, LLC of the obligation to comply with all other applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations, permits, or orders.

If you have any questions, please contact either Gerald Knutson at (505) 827-2996 or me at (505) 827-2962.

Sincerely,



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