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**Subject: Request for Extension to submit the Investigation Report for Technical Area 57
Aggregate Area (Fenton Hill)**

Dear Mr. Kieling:

This letter requests an extension from the April 30, 2014, date to submit the investigation report for Technical Area 57 Aggregate Area (Fenton Hill) to a new date of December 31, 2014. The U.S. Department of Energy and Los Alamos National Security, LLC, (DOE/LANS) request this extension under Section III.J.2 of the March 2005 Compliance Order on Consent.

DOE/LANS request this extension to continue focusing efforts on accelerating the shipment of aboveground transuranic (TRU) waste from Los Alamos National Laboratory's Technical Area 54, Area G. This focus will result in a material reduction of environmental risk. This acceleration of TRU waste shipments will also allow DOE/LANS to support the environmental priorities established by the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) and the state of New Mexico.

This new date is the result of the impacts of sequestration-level funding for the first part of fiscal year (FY) 2014 and the additional prioritized work scope associated with the funding provided in the final FY2014 appropriation. Given the timing of this funding and the duration of the TA-57 Aggregate Area work, this investigation report cannot be completed in FY2014. However, DOE/LANS intend to initiate procurement, readiness, and field work activities in FY2014 to support the submittal of this report.

Per discussions with NMED, DOE/LANS are requesting an extension only until December 31, 2014. DOE/LANS anticipate that before December 31, 2014, an additional extension request will be submitted with a revised date based on NMED priorities, funding constraints, and adequate time to complete the work.



Should funding become available, DOE/LANS will work with NMED to identify and prioritize other projects that could be completed under the new funding scenario.

If you have any questions, please contact Todd Haagenstad at (505) 665-2936 (hth@lanl.gov) or David Rhodes (505) 665-5325 (david.rhodes@nnsa.doe.gov).

Sincerely,



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