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December 22, 2004

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G. Pete Nanos, Director
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**RE: SECOND REQUEST FOR RESPONSE EXTENSION FOR THE APPROVAL
WITH MODIFICATIONS TO THE PHASE II WORK PLAN FOR
THE AIRPORT LANDFILL
LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY, NM0890010515
HWB-LANL-04-007**

Dear Messrs. Gregory and Nanos:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has reviewed the Department of Energy's (DOE) request for a second extension to respond to the requested information in the *Notice of Approval with Modifications of Phase II Work Plan for Los Alamos Site Office TA-73 Airport Landfill*. The DOE requests a six-month extension until June 30, 2005 to submit responses to modifications #1 and #4. The DOE also requests the extension to prepare an Environmental Assessment to consider remedy alternatives and perform an impact analysis. NMED grants the extension. All requested information is now due no later than June 30, 2005.

The DOE and Los Alamos National Laboratory (the "Permittees") are reminded that the Airport Landfill Remedy Completion Report for the approved remedy is due to NMED April 5, 2007. The Permittees must comply with this due date regardless of the outcome of the Environmental Assessment unless the Permittees request an extension in accordance with Section III.J.2 of the

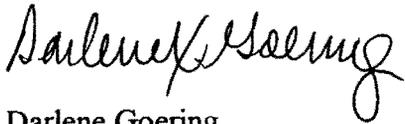
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proposed Consent Order.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (505) 428-2542.

Sincerely,



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