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Subject: Submittal of Request for Extension for “Denial: Request for Extension for Long-term Environmental Stewardship (LTES) Site 1 – Cable Debris Site, November 2, 2009”

Dear Mr. Bearzi:

The Investigation Report and Proposal for Corrective Action Complete for Long Term Environmental Stewardship (LTES) Site 1-Cable Debris Site at Sandia National Laboratories/New Mexico was submitted to the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) for review and approval in March 2009. NMED reviewed this document and issued a Notice of Disapproval (NOD) in a letter to the Department of Energy (DOE) and Sandia Corporation (Sandia) dated September 21, 2009. In order to complete the requested cadmium and thallium analytical sampling and respond to the comments received from NMED, a NOD response extension, dated November 2, 2009, was requested by DOE and Sandia. NMED formally denied the extension request, dated November 23, 2010, citing the lack of justification for such a request. This letter further communicates the rationale for this extension request.

Due to the standard Sandia Work Planning and Controls process, the earliest that the additional cadmium and thallium sampling could occur was November 10, 2009. The analytical data from the laboratory is expected to be available mid-December with subsequent validation completed by the end of December. The NOD response will be prepared with the validated data and follow the internal review process. The earliest possible submittal to NMED is expected to be in late January. Accordingly, in foreseeing all possible issues arising with any of the mentioned steps in the timeline, the original request for the end of February should be considered a reasonable extension request for the Cable Debris Site NOD response.

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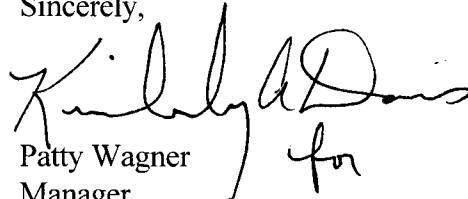


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Based on the timeline outlined above, we request that the due date for the response to the NOD be extended to February 26, 2010. Please contact me at (505) 845-6036, or John Gould of my staff at (505) 845-6089 with any questions regarding this request.

Sincerely,


Patty Wagner
Manager

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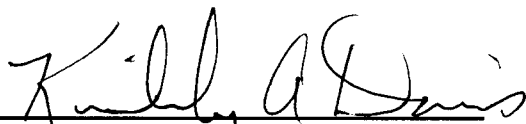
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Michael W. Hazen, Vice President
Sandia Corporation
Albuquerque, New Mexico
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15 Dec 2009

Date signed



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