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CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

April 1, 2011

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**RE: REQUEST TO CONDUCT SUPPLEMENTAL WATERING AND COVER
MAINTENANCE ACTIVITIES
MIXED WASTE LANDFILL
SANDIA NATIONAL LABORATORIES, EPA ID# NM5890110518
HWB-SNL-MISC**

Dear Ms. Wagner and Mr. Orrell:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has reviewed the request to conduct supplemental watering and cover maintenance activities at the Mixed Waste Landfill (MWL) dated March 23, 2011, submitted by the U. S. Department of Energy on behalf of itself and Sandia Corporation (collectively, the Permittees). NMED hereby approves the request as specified in the request letter. This approval shall remain in effect through calendar year 2013 or until such time that the Long-Term Monitoring and Maintenance Plan for the MWL is approved by the NMED, whichever comes first.

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If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Mr. William Moats of my staff at (505) 222-9551.

Sincerely,



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