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September 9, 2020

Mr. Kevin Pierard, Chief Hazardous Waste Bureau New Mexico Environment Department 2905 Rodeo Park Drive East, Building 1 Santa Fe, NM 87505-6303

Subject: Request for a Reissuance of the Temporary Authorization for the

Class 3 Permit Modification Request to the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant,

Hazardous Waste Facility Permit, Permit Number:

NM4890139088-TSDF

Reference: 1) NMED's letter from Stephanie Stringer, Director, NMED Resource

Protection, to Gregory Sosson, Acting Manager, U.S. Department of Energy Carlsbad Field Office, and Sean Dunagan, Project Manager, Nuclear Waste Partnership LLC; Subject: Approval of Temporary Authorization Request for Class 3 Permit Modification Waste Isolation Pilot Plant EPA I.D. Number NM4890139088, dated April 24, 2020

2) Permittees' letter CBFO:MRB:ER:20-0201:UFC 5487.00 from Gregory Sosson, U.S. Department of Energy Carlsbad Field Office, and Sean Dunagan, Nuclear Waste Partnership LLC, to Kevin Pierard, Chief, Hazardous Waste Bureau; Subject: Request for a Temporary Authorization for the Referenced Class 3 Permit Modification to the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant, Hazardous Waste Facility Permit, Permit Number: NM4890139088-TSDF, dated January 16, 2020

Dear Mr. Pierard:

Pursuant to 20.4.1.900 New Mexico Administrative Code (NMAC) (incorporating Title 40, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Part 270.42(e)(4)(ii)), the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Carlsbad Field Office and Nuclear Waste Partnership LLC, collectively referred to as the Permittees, request reissuance of the temporary authorization (TA) referenced above (Reference 1). The Permittees request the TA be reissued for one additional term of 180 days or until the Class 3 permit modification request procedures are completed, whichever occurs first.

The reissuance of the TA is needed because the activities authorized in the referenced TA request (Reference 2) will not be completed within the term of the approved TA. In accordance with 20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR 270.42(e)(4)(ii)), reissuance of the referenced TA request is necessary in order for the Permittees to continue the authorized activities while the Class 3 permit modification request procedures are being conducted pursuant to 20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR 270.42(c)).

We certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under our direction or supervision according to a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on our inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of our knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. We are aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations.

Sincerely,

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Reinhard Knerr Manager

Carlsbad Field Office

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