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Mr. James Bearzi NMED-Hazardous Waste Bureau 2905 Rodeo Park Drive East, Building 1 Santa Fe, NM 87505-6303

Subject: Extension Request for Revised Work Plan, Investigation and Remediation of Solid Waste Management Unit 61-002 at Technical Area 61, Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL)

Dear Mr. Bearzi:

The United States Department of Energy (DOE) and Los Alamos National Security, LLC (LANS) (collectively, the Permittees) are in receipt of the "Notice of Disapproval, Remedy Completion Report for the Investigation and Remediation of Solid Waste Management Unit 61-002 at Technical Area 61, Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL)," dated August 9, 2007 and referenced by HWB-07-009. The notice of disapproval (NOD) required the Permittees to submit a work plan for additional investigation/cleanup activities at Solid Waste Management Unit (SWMU) 61-002 by September 14, 2007. The Permittees prepared draft responses to the NOD comments identifying technical issues and submitted these draft responses to the Hazardous Waste Bureau (HWB) for review on August 30, 2007. On September 6, 2007 the Permittees held a conference call with HWB staff to discuss the NOD and these issues. Based on this conference call, the Permittees gained a better understanding of the issues identified in the NOD and HWB's expectations regarding the work plan. Because the Permittees were not able to proceed with preparation of the work plan until issues were resolved during the conference call, the Permittees are requesting a two-week extension of the due date for the work plan to September 28, 2007. This extension has been discussed with David Cobrain of your staff.

The NOD letter also required the Permittees to provide responses to the NOD comments with the work plan. As directed by HWB during the conference call, the Permittees do not need to provide responses with the work plan, but instead should provide them with the revised investigation/remediation report.

Mr. James Bearzi EP2007-0584

Thank you for your consideration of this request and your staff's willingness to work with our project leaders toward a resolution associated with this site. If you have any questions, please contact Dave McInroy at (505) 667-0819 (mcinroy@lanl.gov) or David Gregory at (505) 667-5808 (dgregory@doeal.gov).

Sincerely,

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