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James Bearzi, Bureau Chief Hazardous Waste Bureau New Mexico Environment Department 2905 Rodeo Park Drive East, Building 1 Santa Fe, NM 87505-6303

Subject: Submittal of the Drilling Work Plan for Regional Aquifer Well R-50

Dear Mr. Bearzi:

Enclosed please find two hard copies with electronic files of the drilling work plan for regional aquifer wells R-50 for review by the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED). This well will be installed to satisfy a requirement from NMED in a letter dated August 31, 2009, to further define the southern extent of chromium contamination in the regional aquifer. The proposed execution schedule, as detailed in the drilling work plan, was established to sequence the effective use of appropriate drilling equipment and qualified crews. The completion date has been determined to support data needs for subsequent Compliance order on Consent processes. The date is also consistent with an integrated well-installation schedule for fiscal year 2010 as submitted to NMED in our letter dated October 14, 2009. Your approval of the drilling work plans and the attendant schedule is respectfully requested.

If you have any questions, please contact Mark Everett at (505) 667-5931 (meverett@lanl.gov) or Nancy Werdel at (505) 665-3619 (nwerdel@doeal.gov).

Sincerely,

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for David R. Gregory, Project Director Environmental Operations

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Enclosures: Two hard copies with electronic files – Drilling Work Plan for Regional Aquifer

Well R-50 (LA-UR-09-6272)

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