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Subject: Response to the Approval for the Completion Report for Regional Aquifer Well R-37

Reference: Letter, Mr. Bearzi to Messrs. Rael and Graham, dated 07/22/10

Dear Mr. Bearzi:

Los Alamos National Laboratory (the Laboratory) would like to take this opportunity to respond to the above-referenced letter from the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) regarding the approval for the Completion Report for Regional Aquifer Well R-37. Attached are the Laboratory's response to each of NMED's comments and the requested off-site analytical data (Table C-1.3-1 in the revised report).

The Laboratory acknowledges the errors, and in the case of the off-site analytical data, omission in the above-referenced well completion report. Therefore, a revision to the Completion Report for Regional Aquifer Well R-37 will be submitted to NMED by August 27, 2010.

Sincerely,

Michael J. Graham, Associate Director
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Sincerely,

George J. Rael, Manager
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Attachment: Table C-1.3-1, Analytical Results for Volatile Organic Compounds, High-Explosives Compounds, and Low-Level Tritium for Borehole R-37

Enclosure: Two hard copies with electronic files – Response to the Approval for the Completion Report for Regional Aquifer Well R-37 (LA-UR-10-5470)

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