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May 2, 2011

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RE: NOTICE OF AGREEMENT FORCE MAJEURE R-61 WELL COMPLETION LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY EPA ID #NM0890010515 HWB-LANL-MISC-GW

Dear Messrs. Rael and Graham:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has received the United States Department of Energy (DOE) and the Los Alamos National Security L.L.C.'s (LANS) (collectively, the Permittees) *Update on April 25, 2011, Oral Notification of Delays at Well R-61 and Written Notice of Force Majeure* (Notification), dated April 28, 2011 and referenced by EP2011-0174. In accordance with Section III.H.3 of the March 1, 2005 Compliance Order on Consent (Consent Order), the Permittees provided a verbal notification to NMED on April 25, 2011.

The Permittees state in the Notification that delay in the completion of well R-61 was caused by high winds during the project, resulting in subcontractor shutdowns for all or part of six days.

This correspondence constitutes written notice of NMED's agreement under Section III.H.3 of the Consent Order that a force majeure event has occurred. NMED agrees that a delay in completing R-61 may ultimately be attributable to this event, but expects the Permittees to nevertheless exercise due diligence to minimize the delay described in the Notification. Under

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Section III.H.3 of the Consent Order, the completion date of well R-61 is extended by the actual delay resulting from the force majeure event (six days) – May 9, 2011.

Please contact Michael Dale at (505) 476-6052 should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

James P. Bearzi Chief Hazardous Waste Bureau

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