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Subject: Request for Extension for the Response to the Notice of Disapproval for the

2012 Monitoring Plan for Los Alamos and Pueblo Canyons Sediment Transport

**Mitigation Project** 

Dear Mr. Kieling:

This letter requests a 31-day extension to submit the response to the notice of disapproval (NOD) for the 2012 Monitoring Plan for Los Alamos and Pueblo Canyons Sediment Transport Mitigation Project, from April 30, 2012, to a new date of May 31, 2012. The extension request is based on the very short turnaround time (14 days) given to Los Alamos National Laboratory (the Laboratory) and the limited availability of resources needed to respond to the comments in the April 16, 2012, NOD letter (HWB-LANL-12-016) from the New Mexico Environment Department. Furthermore, because of the Laboratory's commitment to execute the scope of an existing memorandum of understanding between the U.S. Department of Energy and the Buckman Direct Diversion Project, additional time is needed to resolve potential conflicts with some of the requirements of the NOD letter.

If you have any questions, please contact Steve Veenis at (505) 667-0013(veenis@lanl.gov) or Cheryl Rodriguez at (505) 665-5530 (cheryl.rodriguez@nnsa.doe.gov)

Sincerely,

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