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Subject: Request for Extension to Submit the Report for Vadose Zone Moisture Monitoring at Material Disposal Area T at Technical Area 21

Dear Mr. Kieling:

This letter requests an extension from the November 30, 2012, date to submit the Report for Vadose Zone Moisture Monitoring at Material Disposal Area T at Technical Area 21 to a new date of November 30, 2014.

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) and Los Alamos National Security (LANS), LLC, request this extension in order to continue focusing efforts on accelerating the shipment of aboveground transuranic (TRU) waste from Los Alamos National Laboratory's Technical Area 54, Area G, to the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant. This focus will result in a material reduction of environmental risk. This acceleration of TRU waste shipments will also allow DOE/LANS to support the environmental priorities established by the New Mexico Environment Department and the State of New Mexico.

This new date to submit the Report for Vadose Zone Moisture Monitoring at Material Disposal Area T at Technical Area 21 was developed to support the mutual goal of environmental risk reduction. DOE/LANS request this extension under Section III.J.2 of the Compliance Order on Consent.

If you have any questions, please contact Victoria George at (505) 667-7883 (torig@lanl.gov) or David Rhodes at (505) 665-5325 (david.rhodes@nnsa.doe.gov).

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