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CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

July 16, 2012

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RE: EXTENSION REQUEST TO COMPLETE THE TECHNICAL AREA 54 MONITORING GROUP'S

LONG-TERM GROUNDWATER MONITORING WELL R-22 [SCREEN 3 REDEVELOPMENT AND PUMP INSTALLION]

LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY

EPA ID#NM0890018 HWB-LANL-12-037

Dear Messrs. Maggiore and Graham:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) is in receipt of the United States Department of Energy (DOE) and Los Alamos National Security, L.L.C.'s (collectively, the Permittees) document entitled *Request for Extension to Complete the Technical Area 54 Monitoring Group's Long-Term Groundwater Monitoring Well R-22* (Completion) dated June 28, 2012 and referenced by EP2012-0146.

The Permittees request the extension to complete the redevelopment, isolation and pump installation for Screen 3 in regional aquifer well R-22 due to their re-allocation of resources to the rehabilitation of regional aquifer well R-61, which is a component of the Sandia and Mortandad Canyons chromium plume groundwater monitoring network. The

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Permittees request an extension to the Completion date from September 30, 2012 to June 30, 2013.

NMED considers collection of data from R-22 Screen 3, after rehabilitation and isolation from the other screened intervals in the well, to be an important detection monitoring point for deep regional groundwater. Data from R-22 Screen 3 will provide necessary information related to contaminant migration and the TA-54 groundwater monitoring network. NMED hereby grants an extension for the Completion until **January 31, 2013**. The Permittees must notify NMED, within 30 days of receipt of such information, should funds become available in the future that allow for the Plan to be submitted prior to January 31, 2013.

Please contact Dave Cobrain at (505) 476-6055 if you have questions.

Sincerely,

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