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## **CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

July 26, 2013

Juan Griego, Acting Manager Los Alamos Site Office Department of Energy 3747 W. Jemez Rd., MS-A316 Los Alamos, NM 87544 Michael T. Brandt, Associate Director Environment, Safety, Health, & Quality Los Alamos National Security, LLC Los Alamos Research Park P.O. Box 1663, MS K491 Los Alamos, NM 87545

## RE: REQUEST FOR SECOND EXTENSION TO SUBMIT OPEN BURNING (OB) PERMIT MODIFICATION REQUEST TO ADD OB UNIT TA-16-388 TO THE LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY (LANL) HAZARDOUS WASTE FACILITY PERMIT EPA ID# NM 0890010515

Dear Messrs. Griego and Brandt:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) is in receipt of the United States Department of Energy (DOE) and Los Alamos National Security, LLC's (collectively, the Permittees) letter requesting a second extension (Extension Request) to submit the Open Burning (OB) Permit Modification Request (PMR), dated July 23, 2013 and received on July 24, 2013. This request is preceded by NMED's December 21, 2010, Remand Order and December 7, 2012, letter directing the Permittees to submit a full and complete Class 3 PMR to add Open Burn Treatment Unit 16-388 no later than June 28, 2013. As required by the Remand Order, NMED and the Permittees conferred and agreed to the June 28, 2013 submittal date. The Permittees' submitted a request, dated June 25, 2013, to extend the submittal date to July 26, 2013. NMED subsequently approved the request in a letter dated June 28, 2013.

The Permittees' second Extension Request states: "[t]he open burning unit modification request involves complex issues that require careful review to ensure adequate presentation of information and to meet the applicable regulatory requirements. The Permittees believe that these changes will facilitate review of the application and minimize the potential for Messrs. Griego and Brandt July 26, 2013 Page 2

misinformation and/or delay in processing the permit modification." The Permittees also cite "recent developments related to" the TA-63 TWF and TA-54 RANT PMRs as cause for requesting the extension, and request a new submittal date of September 30, 2013.

NMED hereby approves this second Extension Request. The submittal date for the PMR has been changed to **September 30, 2013**, as requested.

Please contact Dave Cobrain at 505-476-6055 or Tim Hall at 505-222-9555 if you have questions.

Sincerely,

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John E. Kieling Chief Hazardous Waste Bureau

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