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**RE: THIRD EXTENSION REQUEST
TO SUBMIT THE PHASE II INVESTIGATION WORK PLAN FOR
POTRILLO/FENCE CANYONS AGGREGATE AREA
LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY
EPA ID#NM0890018
HWB-LANL-11-043**

Dear Messrs. Maggiore and Mousseau:

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 Submit the Phase II Investigation Work Plan for Potrillo and Fence Canyons Aggregate Area*, dated September 4, 2013 and referenced by EP2013-0192.

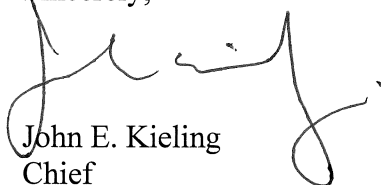
The Permittees request the extension to submit the Phase II Investigation Work Plan for Potrillo and Fence Canyons Aggregate Area (IWP) due to the need to focus efforts on shipment of aboveground transuranic (TRU) waste from Technical Area (TA) 54 to the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant.

This is the third extension request for the submittal of this IWP. The Permittee first extension request changed the submission date for the IWP from June 14, 2012 to June 14, 2013. The second request moved the extension date from June 14, 2013 to September 30, 2013. This third extension changes the submission date from September 30, 2013 to June 30, 2014, as requested. The request was automatically granted in accordance with Section III.J.2 of the Consent Order.

NMED is concerned over delays that affect the progress of corrective action; however, NMED understands the ongoing issues related to the allocation of DOE resources to Los Alamos National Security, L.L.C., to fund corrective action at the laboratory. The Permittees must notify NMED, within seven days of receipt of such information, should funds become available in the future that allow for the IWP to be submitted prior to **June 30, 2014**. If funding becomes available, NMED may re-evaluate the deadline for completion of this project.

Please contact Neelam Dhawan at (505) 476-6055 if you have questions.

Sincerely,



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