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**RE: SECOND EXTENSION REQUEST
TO SUBMIT THE R-55i WELL REPLACEMENT WORK PLAN
LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY
EPA ID#NM0890010515
HWB-LANL-08-025**



Dear Messrs. Maggiore and Mousseau:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) is in receipt of the United States Department of Energy (DOE) and the Los Alamos National Security, L.L.C.'s (collectively, the Permittees) document entitled *Request for Extension to Submit the R-55i Well Replacement Work Plan* (Work Plan) dated November 26, 2013 and referenced by EP2013-0298. The request has been automatically granted because NMED did not respond in writing within ten business days as specified in Consent Order Section III.J.2.

The Permittees request the extension to submit the Work Plan in order to continue focusing efforts on accelerating the shipment of aboveground transuranic waste to the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant. This is the second extension to submit the Work Plan (the previous extension was granted on July 16, 2013).

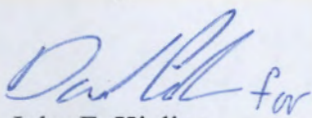
The date to submit the Work Plan has been changed from December 15, 2013 to **June 30, 2014**, as requested.

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NMED is concerned over delays that affect the progress of groundwater characterization and remediation; however, NMED is aware of the current uncertainties associated with the allocation of DOE resources to the Permittees to fund groundwater monitoring and cleanup 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 Work Plan to be submitted prior to June 30, 2014. If funding becomes available, NMED may re-evaluate the deadline for completion of this project.

Should you have any questions, please contact Ben Wear of my staff at (505) 476-6041.

Sincerely,



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