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**RE: SECOND EXTENSION REQUEST
FOR WELL COMPLETION SUMMARY FACT SHEET FOR WELL R-63i
LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY
EPA ID#NM0890010515
HWB-LANL-12-022**

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 for Well Completion Summary Fact Sheet for Well R-63i* dated November 13, 2013 and referenced by EP2013-0267.

The Permittees request an extension to submit the Well Completion Summary Fact Sheet (WCSFS) for R-63i and to complete all predecessor and subsequent activities and deliverables tied to the WCSFS (well completion, well development, and well completion report). The Permittees request the extension 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 complete the well (the previous extension was granted on August 7, 2013).

The date to submit the WCSFS for R-63i has been changed from December 31, 2013 to **June 30, 2014**, as requested. Based on the revised due date for WCSFS, R-63i must be completed no later

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than **May 31, 2014**, development of the well must be completed no later than June 30, 2014, and the well completion report must be submitted to NMED no later than **October 28, 2014**.

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 LANS 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 well to be completed prior to May 31, 2014. If funding becomes available, NMED may re-evaluate the deadline for completion of this project.

Should you have any questions, please contact Jerzy Kulis of my staff at (505) 476-6039.

Sincerely,



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