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CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

March 19, 2014

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RE: EXTENSION REQUEST TO SUBMIT THE SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION FOR THE BANDELIER TUFF UNIT 4 BACKGROUND STUDY REPORT EPA ID#NM0890018 HWB-LANL-11-069

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 Supplemental Information for the Bandelier Tuff Unit 4 Background Study Report*, dated January 13, 2014 and referenced by EP2014-0005.

The Permittees request the extension to submit supplemental information for the Bandelier Tuff Unit 4 Background Study Report 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. The date of the submittal has been changed from January 30, 2014 to **June 30, 2014**, as requested.

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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 document 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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