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RE: THIRD EXTENSION REQUEST
TO SUBMIT THE WELL REPLACEMENT WORK PLAN
FOR R-54, SCREEN 1

LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY EPA ID#NM0890010515

HWB-LANL-08-001

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 Well Replacement Work Plan for R-54, Screen 1* dated June 11, 2014 and referenced by EP2014-0241.

The Permittees request an extension to submit the well replacement work plan for R-54, screen 1. This is the third extension request to submit the work plan (previous extensions were granted on July 16, 2013 and January 3, 2014). NMED has granted extensions based on the Permittees' need to divert resources to remove transuranic waste in accordance with the Framework Agreement. Based on the Permittees' statement that they will not be able to meet the deadlines that they committed to in the Framework Agreement, the request is hereby denied.

NMED is concerned over delays that affect the progress of groundwater characterization and remediation. Governor Martinez has prioritized the protection of groundwater, and any delay in

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submitting the well replacement work plan for R-54 screen 1 is counter to this objective. The Permittee is required to submit the work plan as previously scheduled on **June 30, 2014**.

Should you have any questions, please contact Dave Cobrain of my staff at (505) 476-6055.

Sincerely,

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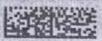


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