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Subject: Request for Extension to Complete the Installation of Well R-26i

Dear Mr. Kieling:

Los Alamos National Security, LLC (LANS) and the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) request an extension to the December 31, 2014, deadline to complete the installation of well R-26i to a new date of April 28, 2017. DOE/LANS request this extension under Section III.J.2 of the March 2005 Compliance Order on Consent (Consent Order).

In January 2012, the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) and DOE/LANS entered into a *Framework Agreement: Realignment of Environmental Priorities* (Framework Agreement) at Los Alamos National Laboratory. In accordance with Section 5 of the Framework Agreement, NMED and DOE/LANS engaged in an Annual Work Planning Process (AWP) for fiscal year (FY) 2015 beginning on October 17, 2014, and continued the AWP process on November 20, 2014. As stated in the Framework Agreement, the objective of the AWP is "to assess and refocus the environmental remediation and cleanup work at the Laboratory to ensure alignment with the Governor's priorities, consider input from the public, and find efficiencies that maximize the use of federal funds." In the meeting held on November 20, 2014, DOE/LANS presented the proposed work scope under the Consent Order for the remainder of FY2015 and also provided a list of deliverables that could not be completed in FY2015 (i.e., "unfunded scope").

The installation of well R-26i was included in the list of deliverables that could not be completed in FY2015. Therefore, DOE/LANS are requesting an extension to April 28, 2017, as a result of funding constraints, work priorities, and the need for adequate time to complete the work.

The due dates for the subsequent deliverables contingent on the revised well installation complete date (i.e., summary fact sheet, well development and sampling, and well completion report) will also be extended based on the requirements in Section IV.A.3.3.iv of the Consent Order.

If you have any questions, please contact Steve Paris at (505) 606-0915 (smparis@lanl.gov) or Woody Woodworth at (505) 665-5820 (lwoodworth@nnsa.doe.gov).

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