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## **CERTIFIED MAIL – RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

December 29, 2014

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## RE: SECOND EXTENSION REQUEST TO SUBMIT THE INVESTIGATION REPORT FOR UPPER WATER CANYON AGGREGATE AREA LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY EPA ID#NM0890010515 HWB-LANL-10-070

Dear Messrs. Maggiore and Brandt:

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 Investigation Report for Upper Water Canyon Aggregate Area* dated December 19, 2014 and referenced by ADESH-14-150. The Permittees request to change the submittal date from December 31, 2014 to January 31, 2018.

The Permittees are requesting a second extension to submit the Investigation Report for Upper Pajarito Water Canyon Aggregate Area (IR). The first extension was granted on June 15, 2012 that changed the submittal date from December 31, 2012 to December 31, 2014. NMED has granted extensions in the past 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

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Framework Agreement, the request is hereby denied. This IR submittal is required under the Consent Order and is included in the fiscal year 2015 stipulated penalty list.

NMED is concerned over delays that affect the progress of corrective action. The Permittees are required to submit the IR as previously scheduled by **December 31, 2014.** 

Should you have any questions, please contact Neelam Dhawan of my staff at (505) 476-6042.

Sincerely, John E. Kieling Chief

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