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March 5, 2015

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RE: INTENT TO ASSESS STIPULATED PENALTIES FOR INVESTIGATION REPORT FOR CAÑON DE VALLE AGGREGATE AREA TECHNICAL AREA 16 LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY EPA ID #NM0890010515 HWB-LANL-06-019

Dear Ms. Lebak and Mr. McMillan:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has not received the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) and the Los Alamos National Security, L.L.C.'s (LANS) (collectively, the Respondents) *Investigation Report for Cañon de Valle Aggregate Area, Technical Area 16* (Report). The Report was scheduled to be submitted by December 15, 2014. This letter constitutes written notification of the NMED's intent to assess stipulated penalties pursuant to Section III.G.2 of the March 1, 2005 Order on Consent (Order). The Permittees' failed to submit the Report by the revised deadline established in accordance with the Order.

An Approval with Modifications letter was issued for the *Investigation Work Plan for the Cañon de Valle Aggregate Area* (September 29, 2006) on February 9, 2007. Through approval of the Investigation Work Plan, NMED concurred with the Permittees' proposal to submit technical area (TA) specific investigation reports instead of a single report for the Cañon de Valle Aggregate Area (i.e., one each for TA-14, TA-15, and TA-16 investigations). The submittal date for the Investigation Report for Cañon de Valle Aggregate Area, TA-16 was established as December 15, 2012 (March 16, 2007). The Permittees requested an extension on June 1, 2012 that upon NMED approval changed the submittal date to December 15, 2014. A second extension request,

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submitted on December 11, 2014, was subsequently denied by NMED. The Permittees did not submit the Report by the due date of December 15, 2014.

The NMED's demand for stipulated penalties will be sent in accordance with Section III.G.5 of the Order. The Permittees are subject to stipulated penalties beginning on the date of this letter.

Please contact me at 505-476-6035 should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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