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Subject: Requests for Extensions to Submit [1] the Response and Revision 2 to the Disapproval for the 2013 Excavation of the Los Alamos Canyon Low-Head Weir, Revision 1 and [2] the SWMU Assessment Report

Dear Mr. Kieling:

In response to the New Mexico Environment Department's (NMED's) Disapproval for the 2013 Excavation of the Los Alamos Canyon Low-Head Weir, Revision 1, and response to the Disapproval for the 2013 Excavation of the Los Alamos Canyon Low-Head Weir, dated December 1, 2015, the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) and Los Alamos National Security, LLC (LANS) request extensions of the February 29, 2016, date to submit engineering documentation and technical specifications of erosional controls and the June 30, 2016, date to submit a SWMU Assessment Report (SAR). DOE/LANS have several regulatory questions regarding the requirements in NMED's disapproval letter. Therefore, we would like to meet with NMED staff to fully understand NMED's intent and expectations before preparing our responses.

DOE/LANS request that both the response and the SAR be submitted on August 5, 2016. Extending the deliverable dates, as requested, should not affect the concerns identified in NMED's disapproval letter. The sediments in the former borrow pit remain in a stable condition. Similarly, no additional removal of sediments from the Los Alamos Canyon low-head weir is planned until these questions are resolved.

If you have any questions, please contact Steve Veenis at (505) 667-0013 (veenis@lanl.gov) or Cheryl Rodriguez at (505) 665-5330 (cheryl.rodriguez@em.doe.gov)

Sincerely,

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