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**RE: APPROVAL
SCREENING_LEVEL ECOLOGICAL RISK ASSESSMENT METHODS,
REVISION 4
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Dear Messrs. Hintze and Brandt:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has received the United States Department of Energy (DOE) and the Los Alamos National Security L.L.C.'s (LANS) (collectively, the Permittees) *Screening-Level Ecological Risk Assessment Methods, Revision 4* dated October 2015 and received on October 29, 2015 (referenced by LA-UR-15-27577/EP2015-0174). NMED hereby approves the document.

NMED has reviewed the document and has no comments at this time. However, please note that the screening levels are tied to the ECORISK database, of which the 2015 release is currently under review. If review of the database results in technical modifications, it is possible the above-referenced screening levels will also require modification.

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Please contact Neelam Dhawan at (505) 476-6042, if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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