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**RE: CONSTRUCTION NOTIFICATION AND INSPECTION OF TECHNICAL
AREA 63 TWF CONTAINER STORAGE UNIT
LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY (LANL)
EPA ID #NM0890010515
HWB-LANL-12-040**

Dear Ms. Davis Lebak and Mr. McCann:

The New Mexico Environment Department (Department) has received from the United States Department of Energy and Los Alamos National Security, LLC, (collectively, the Permittees) *Technical Area 63 Transuranic Waste Facility Container Storage Unit Construction Notice* (Construction Notice) referenced by EPC-DO-16-361 and LA-UR-16-29607 dated January 13, 2017. The Department approved the Permit modification request (PMR) to add the transuranic waste facility (TWF) to the Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) hazardous waste Permit on December 23, 2013.

Following December 23, 2013, the Department approved two Class 1 PMRs to the TWF documenting minor construction related design changes on July 28, 2014, and on September 1, 2016. The Permittees submitted this Construction Notice on January 13, 2017, which incorporates the changes described in the two Class 1 PMRs in an effort to demonstrate that the Permittees have met the requirements set forth in 40 CFR §270.30(1)(2)(i) that the TWF has been constructed in compliance with the Permit.

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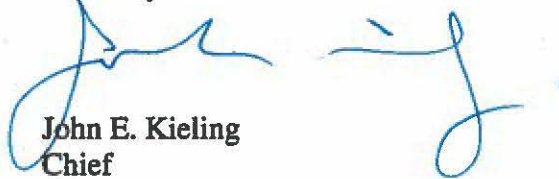
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The Department inspected the TWF in accordance with the provisions set forth in 40 CFR §270.30(l)(2)(ii)(A) on February 1, 2017, and finds the TWF was constructed in compliance with the descriptions provided in the Permit.

The Department is aware that the Permittees are preparing the TWF for DOE readiness assessments and that the TWF is not planned to become operational until the readiness assessments are complete. The Department notes the majority of safety equipment (e.g., alarms, sprinklers, safety showers) has been installed; however, some organizational work (e.g., assembly of portable spill kits was not complete at the time of the inspection, will need to be completed prior to the acceptance of waste for storage.

If you have any questions regarding this correspondence, please contact Siona Briley of my staff at 505-476-6049.

Sincerely,



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**Good Afternoon,
The attached letter will be mailed today**

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