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**CERTIFIED MAIL – RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

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**RE: NOTIFICATION OF DELAY IN WELL R-68 COMPLETION AND FIRST  
SAMPLE COLLECTION  
EPA ID#NM0890010515  
HWB-LANL-16-046**

Dear Messrs. Hintze and Robinson:

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 *Notification of Delay in Well R-68 Completion and First Sample Collection* (Notification) dated March 6, 2017 and referenced by ADEM-17-0042. The Notification was received on March 6, 2017. NMED has reviewed the Notification and concurs with the Permittee's justification for the delay in R-68 completion and first sampling at the subject well.

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Please contact Michael Dale at (505) 476-3078 if you have questions concerning this approval.

Sincerely,



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