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RE: FISCAL YEAR 2017 FIELDWORK COMPLETION STATUS REPORT FOR MIDDLE LOS ALAMOS CANYON AGGREGATE AREA LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY EPA ID#NM0890010515 HWB-LANL-17-060

Dear Messrs. Hintze and Robinson:

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) *Fiscal Year 2017 Fieldwork Completion Status Report for Middle Los Alamos Canyon Aggregate Area* (status report), dated September 28, 2017 and referenced by LA-UR-17-28509/EP2017-0118.

The status report was submitted to NMED to fulfill the 2016 Compliance Order on Consent (Consent Order) requirement under the Historical Properties Completion Campaign as identified in FY2017 Appendix B Milestones and Targets, Milestone #14, "Historical Properties—Middle Los Alamos Canyon."

NMED hereby validates that the status report meets the requirements of the FY2017 Milestone #14 of the 2016 Consent Order. This validation does not constitute an approval of the field work conducted at the sites as described in the status report. Decision level data for each site, results of

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remediation at AOC 02-011(a)(ii), and results of the ecological studies at TA-02 and TA-26 will be will be presented in the 2018 Phase II Investigation Report for the Middle Los Alamos Canyon Aggregate Area. NMED will conduct a review of the data and risk assessment at that time.

If you have any questions regarding this correspondence, please contact Robert Murphy of my staff at 505-476-6022.

Sincerely,

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