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**RE: APPROVAL OF THE INTERIM FACILITY-WIDE GROUNDWATER
MONITORING PLAN FOR THE 2018 MONITORING YEAR,
OCTOBER 2017-SEPTEMBER 2018
EPA ID#NM0890010515
HWB-LANL-17-034**

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) document entitled *Interim Facility-Wide Groundwater Monitoring Plan for the 2018 Monitoring Year, October 2017 through September 2018* (Plan), dated and received May 25, 2017 and referenced by LA-UR-17-24070 and EP2017-0068. In accordance with Section XXIII of the 2016 *Compliance Order on Consent* (Consent Order), pre- and post- Plan submittal meetings were held on April 26, 2017 and August 23, 2017, respectively. In a September 21, 2017 letter entitled *Request for Supplemental Information Interim Facility-Wide Groundwater Monitoring Plan for the 2018 Monitoring Year, October 2017 through September 2018*, NMED notified the Permittees that supplemental information was required for the Plan.

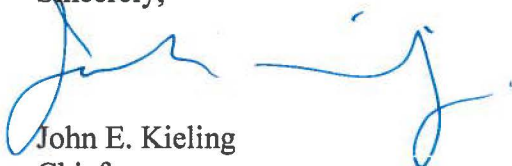
On October 17, 2017 NMED received a draft version of the requested supplemental information and met with the Permittees to address questions and concerns. On October 24, 2017, NMED received the document *Response to Request for Supplemental Information Interim Facility-Wide Groundwater Monitoring Plan for the 2018 Monitoring Year, October 2017 - September 2018*,

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Including Crosswalk Tables (Response), dated October 2017 and referenced by LA-UR-17-29660 and EP2017-0140. NMED has reviewed the Permittees' Plan and Response, and hereby issues this Approval of the Plan.

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

Sincerely,



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