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# Subject: NPDES Permit No. NM0030759 - Analytical Results from the First Measurable Storm Event Following Certification of Enhanced Control Measures at W-SMA-1.5

Dear Mr. Herrera:

These documents are being submitted in accordance with the requirements of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit No. NM0030759 for Los Alamos National Laboratory, issued to Los Alamos National Security, LLC, and the U.S. Department of Energy, effective November 1, 2010. As specified in Part I, Section E.l(c):

Permittees shall certify completion of installation of control measures under this subsection to EPA within 30 days of completion of all such measures at the Site and, where applicable, shall provide sampling results within 30 days of receipt of analytical results from the first measurable storm event after completion of such measures....

Accordingly, the analytical results from samples collected during the first measurable storm event received at site monitoring area W-SMA-1.5 in the last 30 days are enclosed. The attached certified document provides the reference to the certificate of completion of the installation of the control measures. This document can be accessed at the following website: http://www.lanl.gov and searching under the key words "Individual Permit."

| Watershed                | Priority | Site<br>Number          | SMA<br>Number | Permitted<br>Feature | Sample<br>Collection<br>Date | Final Validation<br>Date |
|--------------------------|----------|-------------------------|---------------|----------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Water/<br>Cañon de Valle | Moderate | 16-026(b2)<br>16-028(d) | W-SMA-1.5     | W002                 | 9/28/2017                    | 11/2/2017                |

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Sincerely,

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# Analytical Results from the First Measurable Storm Event Following Certification of Enhanced Control Measures at W-SMA-1.5

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## LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY CERTIFICATION OF ANALYTICAL RESULTS

#### **PF: W002**

#### W-SMA-1.5

Site: 16-026(b2) 16-028(d)

The following certification of analytical results received from the confirmation monitoring samples collected after the completion of the installation of enhanced controls was performed in accordance with NPDES Permit No.NM0030759, Part I.E.1.

#### **CERTIFICATION STATEMENT OF AUTHORIZATION**

"I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate and complete. I am aware there are significant penalties for submitting false information including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations."

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### W-SMA-1.5

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Tables 1 and 2 present the analytical results received from confirmation monitoring samples collected from the first measurable storm event following the installation and subsequent certification of enhanced controls at site monitoring area W-SMA-1.5. Final analytical results were received and validated on November 2, 2017. The descriptions and photographs of each enhanced control installed at W-SMA-1.5 were provided to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency on September 10, 2015 (ADESH-15-132/LA-UR-15-26105). Table 3 presents each applicable target action level (TAL) for the analytes monitored.

 Table 1

 Radiochemical Analytical Results from the First Measurable Storm Event

 Collected on September 28, 2017, Following Installation of Enhanced Controls at W-SMA-1.5

| Sample ID        | Analyte                         | Field Preparation | Detect Status | Result (pCi/L) | TAL Exceedance Ratio | Minimum Detectable<br>Activity (pCi/L) | Uncertainty (pCi/L) | Qualifier <sup>a</sup> | Data Validation Date |
|------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------|---------------|----------------|----------------------|--|---------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| WT_IPC-17-135601 | Radium-226<br>and<br>Radium-228 | Unfiltered        | Nondetect     | 0.688          | n/a                  | 1.386                                  | n/a <sup>b</sup>    | U                      | 11/02/2017           |
| WT_IPC-17-135601 | Gross alpha                     | Unfiltered        | Nondetect     | -0.197         | n/a                  | 2.34                                   | 0.643               | U                      | 11/02/2017           |

Note: TAL exceedance ratio is the analytical result divided by the applicable TAL.

<sup>a</sup> Qualifier: U = Result is not detected.

<sup>b</sup> n/a = Not applicable.

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Table 2

Metals, Inorganic, and Organic Analytical Results from the First Measurable Storm Event Collected on September 28, 2017, Following the Installation of Enhanced Controls at W-SMA-1.5

|                  |                                      | Field Preparation | itus          | j(L)          | TAL Exceedance Ratio | Report Method Detection Limit (Jug/L) | Report Quantitation Limit (µg/L) | Validation Qualifier <sup>a</sup> | Notification of Data Validation Date |
|------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------|---------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Sample ID        | Analyte                              | eld Prej          | Detect Status | Result (µg/L) | IL Exce              | port M                                | port Q                           | lidation                          | tificati                             |
|                  | -                                    |                   |               |               |                      |                                       |                                  |                                   |                                      |
| WT_IPC-17-135590 | Aluminum                             | Filtered          | Detect        | 584           | 0.78                 | 19.3                                  | 50                               | NQ                                | 11/02/2017                           |
| WT_IPC-17-135590 | Antimony                             | Filtered          | Nondetect     | 1             | n/a <sup>b</sup>     | 1                                     | 3                                | U                                 | 11/02/2017                           |
| WT_IPC-17-135590 | Arsenic                              | Filtered          | Nondetect     | 2             | n/a                  | 2                                     | 5                                | U                                 | 11/02/2017                           |
| WT_IPC-17-135590 | Boron                                | Filtered          | Nondetect     | 15            | n/a                  | 15                                    | 50                               | U                                 | 11/02/2017                           |
| WT_IPC-17-135590 | Cadmium                              | Filtered          | Nondetect     | 0.3           | n/a                  | 0.3                                   | 1                                | U                                 | 11/02/2017                           |
| WT_IPC-17-135590 | Chromium                             | Filtered          | Nondetect     | 3             | n/a                  | 3                                     | 10                               | U                                 | 11/02/2017                           |
| WT_IPC-17-135590 | Cobalt                               | Filtered          | Nondetect     | 1             | n/a                  | 1                                     | 5                                | U                                 | 11/02/2017                           |
| WT_IPC-17-135590 | Copper                               | Filtered          | Detect        | 3.06          | 0.71                 | 0.3                                   | 1                                | NQ                                | 11/02/2017                           |
| WT_IPC-17-135590 | Lead                                 | Filtered          | Nondetect     | 0.5           | n/a                  | 0.5                                   | 2                                | U                                 | 11/02/2017                           |
| WT_IPC-17-135601 | Mercury                              | Unfiltered        | Nondetect     | 0.067         | n/a                  | 0.067                                 | 0.2                              | U                                 | 11/02/2017                           |
| WT_IPC-17-135590 | Nickel                               | Filtered          | Detect        | 0.699         | 0.0041               | 0.6                                   | 2                                | J                                 | 11/02/2017                           |
| WT_IPC-17-135601 | Selenium                             | Unfiltered        | Nondetect     | 2             | n/a                  | 2                                     | 5                                | U                                 | 11/02/2017                           |
| WT_IPC-17-135590 | Silver                               | Filtered          | Nondetect     | 0.3           | n/a                  | 0.3                                   | 1                                | U                                 | 11/02/2017                           |
| WT_IPC-17-135590 | Thallium                             | Filtered          | Nondetect     | 0.6           | 0.095                | 0.6                                   | 2                                | U                                 | 11/02/2017                           |
| WT_IPC-17-135590 | Vanadium                             | Filtered          | Detect        | 1.22          | 0.012                | 1                                     | 5                                | J                                 | 11/02/2017                           |
| WT_IPC-17-135590 | Zinc                                 | Filtered          | Detect        | 6.07          | 0.14                 | 3.3                                   | 10                               | J                                 | 11/02/2017                           |
| WT_IPC-17-135601 | Cyanide,<br>weak acid<br>dissociable | Unfiltered        | Nondetect     | 1.67          | n/a                  | 1.67                                  | 5                                | U                                 | 11/02/2017                           |

Note: TAL exceedance ratio is the result divided by the smallest applicable TAL. Applicable TALs are the larger of the maximum TAL and minimum quantification level (MQL) or the larger of the average TAL or MQL.

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<sup>b</sup> n/a = Not applicable.

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# **W-SMA-1.5**

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| Applicable I ALS                  |       |           |       |      |      |  |  |  |
|-----------------------------------|-------|-----------|-------|------|------|--|--|--|
| Analyte                           | Unit  | CAS No.   | MQL   | ATAL | MTAL |  |  |  |
| Radium-226 and<br>Radium-228      | pCi/L | n/a*      | n/a   | 30   | n/a  |  |  |  |
| Gross alpha                       | pCi/L | n/a       | n/a   | 15   | n/a  |  |  |  |
| Aluminum                          | µg/L  | 7429-90-5 | 2.5   | n/a  | 750  |  |  |  |
| Antimony                          | µg/L  | 7440-36-0 | 60    | 640  | n/a  |  |  |  |
| Arsenic                           | µg/L  | 7440-38-2 | 0.5   | 9    | 340  |  |  |  |
| Boron                             | µg/L  | 7440-42-8 | 100   | 5000 | n/a  |  |  |  |
| Cadmium                           | µg/L  | 7440-43-9 | 1     | n/a  | 0.6  |  |  |  |
| Chromium                          | µg/L  | 7440-47-3 | 10    | n/a  | 210  |  |  |  |
| Cobalt                            | µg/L  | 7440-48-4 | 50    | 1000 | n/a  |  |  |  |
| Copper                            | µg/L  | 7440-50-8 | 0.5   | n/a  | 4.3  |  |  |  |
| Lead                              | µg/L  | 7439-92-1 | 0.5   | n/a  | 17   |  |  |  |
| Mercury                           | µg/L  | 7439-97-6 | 0.005 | 0.77 | 1.4  |  |  |  |
| Nickel                            | µg/L  | 7440-02-0 | 0.5   | n/a  | 170  |  |  |  |
| Selenium                          | µg/L  | 7782-49-2 | 5     | 5    | 20   |  |  |  |
| Silver                            | µg/L  | 7440-22-4 | 0.5   | n/a  | 0.4  |  |  |  |
| Thallium                          | µg/L  | 7440-28-0 | 0.5   | 6.3  | n/a  |  |  |  |
| Vanadium                          | µg/L  | 7440-62-2 | 50    | 100  | n/a  |  |  |  |
| Zinc                              | µg/L  | 7440-66-6 | 20    | n/a  | 42   |  |  |  |
| Cyanide, weak<br>acid dissociable | µg/L  | 57-12-5   | 10    | 5.2  | 22   |  |  |  |

#### Table 3 Applicable TALs

Notes: CAS = Chemical Abstracts Service; MQL = minimum quantification level; ATAL = average TAL; MTAL = maximum TAL. As allowed by Part I.D. of the Individual Permit, analytical results are compared with either the corresponding MTAL/ATAL (as applicable) or the MQL, whichever value is greater, for the purpose of determining the effectiveness of storm water control measures.

\* n/a = Not applicable.