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RE:

APPROVAL

DEVELOPMENT OF ECOLOGICAL PRELIMINARY REMEDIATION GOALS FOR LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY, REVISION 1.1 EPA ID#NM0890010515

HWB-LANL-17-059

Dear Messrs. Hintze and Robinson:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has received the United States Department of Energy and the Los Alamos National Security, LLC (collectively, the Permittees) Development of Ecological Preliminary Remediation Goals for Los Alamos National Laboratory, Revision 1.1 (EcoPRG Rev 1.1) dated February 2018 and referenced by LA-UR-18-20670/EP2018-0017. EcoPRG Rev 1.1 was received February 13, 2018.

NMED received the Permittees submittal, *Development of Ecological Preliminary Remediation Goals for Los Alamos National Laboratory, Revision 1*, on September 28, 2017. In accordance with Section XXIII.E of the 2016 Compliance Order on Consent (Consent Order), NMED and the Permittees held informal discussions to address NMED's technical review comments. The Permittees have incorporated NMED's comments in a revised document, EcoPRG Rev 1.1. The approach used by the Permittees for derivation of EcoPRG Rev 1.1 is similar to the approach recommended for ecological screening assessments in NMED's current Soil Screening Guidance.

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NMED hereby approves EcoPRG Rev 1.1. If you have any questions regarding this correspondence, please contact Robert Murphy of my staff at 505-476-6022.

Sincerely,

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