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**CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

November 16, 2007

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**RE: NOTICE OF DENIAL OF FISCAL YEAR 2006 (FY06) SITE  
TREATMENT PLAN (STP), REVISION 17.0 MILESTONE DATE  
EXTENSION REQUEST  
LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY (LANL)  
FEDERAL FACILITY COMPLIANCE ORDER (FFCO)  
EPA ID NO. NM08990010515**

Dear Messrs. Dye and Stewart:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has received the above-referenced letter dated October 2, 2007 by Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) and the U.S. Department of Energy (the Respondents) and hereby denies the extension of the milestone activity date to August 28, 2009 as proposed for treatability groups LA-W917 (*Compressed gases requiring scrubbing*) and LA-W918 (*Compressed gases requiring oxidation*).

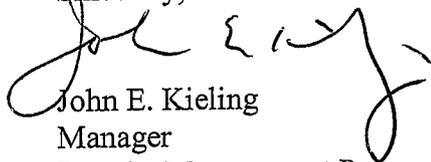
NMED does not believe the Respondents have sufficiently explained the rationale for requesting the aforementioned extension. In order for the Department to consider such a request, the respondents must provide, at a minimum, the following information:

1. A description of gases in the two previously mentioned treatability groups;
2. A list of the EPA hazardous waste numbers associated with those gases;
3. A description of the treatment processes required for the two treatability groups;

4. Accurate volumes comparable to the Compliance Plan Volume, Revision 17.0 for the two treatability groups;
5. A full list of all commercial facilities the Respondents contacted requesting treatment and acceptance of the two treatability groups;
6. All correspondence, formal or otherwise, between the commercial facilities identified in items above including the reasons for their denial of acceptance and treatment of the two treatability groups; and
7. All correspondence, formal or otherwise, between Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory and the Respondents regarding possible treatment and acceptance of these two treatability groups.

The milestone activity date of August 28, 2007 remains unchanged. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Rebecca Kay of my staff at (505) 476-6052 or by email at [rebecca.kay@state.nm.us](mailto:rebecca.kay@state.nm.us).

Sincerely,



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