November 21, 2018

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RE:  APPROVAL
DRILLING WORK PLAN FOR CHROMIUM GROUNDWATER PROJECT
REGIONAL AQUIFER MONITORING WELL R-70
EPA ID#NM0890010515
HWB-LANL-18-054

Dear Mr. Hintze:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has received the United States Department of Energy’s (DOE) Drilling Work Plan for Chromium Groundwater Project Regional Aquifer Monitoring Well R-70 (Work Plan), dated October 2018, and referenced by EM2018-0068. The Work Plan was received on October 30, 2018.

NMED and DOE discussed the proposed location and construction details of well R-70 by electronic mail and a technical team meeting on September 19, 2018. NMED approved DOE’s proposed location for well R-70 by electronic mail on October 31, 2018. Further details of the proposed construction and location for well R-70 are included in the Work Plan. NMED has reviewed the Work Plan and hereby issues this Approval.
Well R-70 must be completed by May 31, 2019, as proposed in the Work Plan. Additionally, a letter report documenting the completion of R-70 and collection of first samples must be delivered to NMED by May 31, 2019, as required by Milestone #8 of the Fiscal Year 2019 Appendix B of the 2016 Compliance Order on Consent.

If you have any questions regarding this correspondence, please contact Dane Andersen at 505-476-6056.

Sincerely,

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