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August 13, 2026

Re: Request for DOE Approval of Contract Modification to Support the Pueblo of San Ildefonso
(Agreement DE-EM0005293)

Dear Mr. Masse:

Thank you for your letter dated July 23, 2026, requesting a modification to Federal Financial Assistance Agreement DE-EM0005293 to support the establishment of a New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) environmental oversight program for Pueblo de San Ildefonso.

DOE has reviewed NMED's request, and the supporting rationale outlined in the letter. Please be advised that the DOE Environmental Management Los Alamos Field Office (EM-LA) engages directly with Pueblo de San Ildefonso on matters related to EM-LA's legacy cleanup mission that may affect the Pueblo, including environmental oversight and interim measures for the hexavalent chromium plume. Accordingly, future discussions regarding this matter will be between EM-LA and the Pueblo.

We appreciate NMED's continued support of EM-LA's legacy cleanup mission. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Nicholas J. Voiles".

Nicholas J. Voiles
Grants/Agreements Officer
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Attachment 1:
NMED Request Letter