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RE:  NOTICE OF APPROVAL: MONITORING WELL PLUG AND ABANDONMENT PLAN AND REPLACEMENT WELL CONSTRUCTION PLAN;
DECOMMISSIONING OF GROUNDWATER MONITORING WELL TAV-MW1,
INSTALLATION OF REPLACEMENT GROUNDWATER MONITORING WELL TAV-MW10, REVISION 1. AUGUST 10, 2007
SANDIA NATIONAL LABORATORIES, EPA ID# NM5890110518
HWB-SNL-07-013

Dear Ms. Wagner and Mr. Nimick:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has reviewed the subject document with cover letter dated August 10, 2007. The U. S. Department of Energy/Sandia Corporation’s document dated July 25, 2007 “Responses to NMED’s Notice of Disapproval” was included in the same transmittal. All ten (10) deficiencies noted in NMED’s Notice of Disapproval dated June 26, 2007, have been adequately addressed. NMED therefore approves the subject plan with the submitted revisions. The scope of work, excluding the report, in the subject work plan shall be concluded by March 31, 2008. The report documenting the work shall be submitted to NMED by June 30, 2008.

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If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Mr. Brian L. Salem of my staff at (505) 222-9576.

Sincerely,

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