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RE: APPROVAL

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION FOR THE SUBMITTAL OF WORK PLAN TO STABILIZE THE EASTERN END OF SANDIA CANYON WETLAND LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY EPA ID #NM0890010515 HWB-LANL-MISC-GW

Dear Messrs. Rael and Graham:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) is in receipt of the United States Department of Energy (DOE) and the Los Alamos National Security, L.L.C.'s (collectively, the Permittees) document entitled *Request for Extension for the Submittal of Work Plan to Stabilize the Eastern End of Sandia Canyon Wetland Required by Approval with Modification to the Phase II Investigation Work Plan for Sandia Canyon* (Request) dated January 28, 2011 and referenced by EP2011-0052.

The Permittees state in the Request that, because of the complexity of wetland stabilization measures and the difficulty in conducting field visits during winter months, they need an additional time to properly scope and evaluate the stabilization measures. The Permittees request an extension of 52 days for the submittal of the work plan to stabilize the wetland (Work Plan).

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The Permittees have shown good cause for an extension. NMED therefore grants the extension. The Permittees must submit the Work Plan no later than **May 16, 2011**.

Should you have any questions, please contact Jerzy Kulis of my staff at (505) 476-6039.

Sincerely,

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