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RE: **REVIEW** 

> TECHNICAL AREA 63 TRANSURANIC WASTE FACILITY SOIL VAPOR MONITORING **SYSTEM REPORT, CALENDAR YEAR 2025, QUARTER 3** LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY EPA ID#NM0890010515 **HWB-LANL-25-050**

Dear Robert Gallegos and Jeannette Hyatt:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has received the United States Department of Energy (DOE) Technical Area 63 Transuranic Waste Facility Soil Vapor Monitoring System Report, Calendar Year 2025, Quarter 3, (Report) dated and received on September 9, 2025, and as referenced by EPC-DO-25-248/LA-UR-25-29015.

Soil vapor monitoring was conducted at Technical Area 63 Transuranic Waste Facility on July 30, 2025, for the third quarter of 2025. The Report indicates that vapor concentrations for volatile organic compounds (VOCs) from the five (5) vapor monitoring wells (VMWs), VMW 1 through 5, did not exceed soil-gas screening levels (SGSLs) for the identified constituents in Tables 3.14.3.1, 3.14.3.2, and 3.14.3.3 of Part 3 of the Los Alamos National Laboratory's RCRA Permit.

As stated in Section IV Analytical Results, trichloroethene (TCE) continues to exhibit the highest concentrations of all of the VOCs detected. VMW-4 and VMW-5, the two closest wells to Material Disposal Area (MDA) C, consistently have the highest concentrations of TCE, with VMW-4 at 25 feet below ground surface (bgs) with reported results of 5,000 μg/m<sup>3</sup> (5.4% of the SGSL) this quarter.

Chloroform is routinely detected in VMW-4 and VMW-5 at both depths, with concentrations

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ranging from 100  $\mu g/m^3$  to 180  $\mu g/m^3$ . NMED notes that the maximum detection for chloroform is equal to or less than 0.3% of the SGSL for the third quarter of sampling for 2025. On September 4, 2025, NMED received a notification of a newly detected constituents dioxane[1,4-], ethylbenzene, and styrene in VMW-4, 60-ft port (in vapor monitoring well (VMW-4) at 25 feet (ft) below ground surface (bgs). Dioxane[1,4-] was detected at a concentration of 31  $\mu g/m^3$  with a report detection limit of 120  $\mu g/m^3$ . Ethylbenzene was detected at a concentration of 28  $\mu g/m^3$  (<0.1% SGSL) with a report detection limit of 36  $\mu g/m^3$ . Styrene was detected at a concentration of 47  $\mu g/m^3$  (<0.1% SGSL) with a report detection limit of 35  $\mu g/m^3$ .

Bromodichloromethane was detected in VMW-5 with a reported result of 120  $\mu g/m^3$  at 5 ft bgs. While bromodichloromethane is not included as a constituent in Tables 3.14.3.1, 3.14.3.2, and 3.14.3.3, NMED notes that the 2022 NMED Soil Screening Guidance Vapor Intrusion Screening Levels (VISLs) industrial soil gas (sg) cancer risk screening level is currently set to 124  $\mu g/m^3$  for bromodichloromethane. Bromodichloromethane should continue to be monitored at VMW-4 and VMW-5.

NMED has reviewed the Report and has no further comments at this time. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Siona Briley at (505) 690-5160.

Sincerely,

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Date: Monday, November 10, 2025 11:50:37 AM LANL-25-050 Review Letter (EPC-DO-25-29015).pdf Attachments:

## Good morning -

Please see attached.

Thank you and have a great day.

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