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**RE: EXTENSION - GENERAL PART A AND B OF THE RCRA PERMIT RENEWAL APPLICATION
LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY
EPA ID#NM0890010515
HWB-LANL-20-001**

Dear Michael Mikolanis, Stanley Pyram, Steven Coleman, and Bradley Smith:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has received the United States Department of Energy's (DOE), Triad National Security, LLC (Triad), and Newport News Nuclear BWXT-Los Alamos, LLC (N3B), (collectively referred to as the Permittees) *Response to Notice of Disapproval General Part A and B Permit Renewal Application Los Alamos National Laboratory* (Response) dated October 6, 2026, and received on October 7, 2026.

Background

On June 26, 2020, the Permittees submitted the RCRA Permit Renewal Application. NMED determined that the renewal application was Administratively Incomplete and provided comments to the Permittees on March 23, 2021. On July 21, 2021, the Permittees responded to comments. On January 25, 2022, NMED issued a Second Administrative Incomplete determination. In August of 2022, NMED issued additional Administrative Incomplete comments to the Permittees. On March 28, 2023, the Permittees provided NMED with a path forward for the permit application, on which NMED provided direction to the Permittees on November 15, 2024. On May 6, 2025, the Permittees and NMED agreed to remove the Corrective Action Complete (CAC) Petition portion from the renewal application, which was formalized in a letter sent by NMED on May 12, 2025. A Revised Permit Application was

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received on July 11, 2025. On September 30, 2025, NMED issued an Administrative Complete decision on the Revised Permit Application. On December 11, 2025, Permittees paid the fee in full to NMED, and NMED began its technical review. On May 14, 2026, NMED and the Permittees met to discuss several of the technical comments.

On June 8, 2026, NMED issued a Notice of Disapproval (NOD) of the permit renewal application and directed the Permittees to submit a revised permit application within 120-days of receipt. On September 3, 2026, NMED and the Permittees met to discuss draft responses and potential permit changes.

In the Response received on October 7, 2026, the Permittees state:

“These changes along with personnel changeover among the Permittees, bring on the need for additional time to compile *Part B Permit Application for Renewal of the Los Alamos National Laboratory Hazardous Waste Facility Permit, Revision 2.0*, Volumes 1, 2, and 3 (Permit Renewal Application). The Permit Renewal Application will be submitted within 45 days of this response to allow for focused revision of responses and then focus on ensuring updates are complete.”

NMED has reviewed the Response letter, which states that a complete Part B application will be submitted within 45 days, and hereby grants an extension to submit the complete revised Permit Application to NMED of 45 days after October 7, 2026, which is no later than November 20, 2026.

DOE must submit a complete Permit Part B Application to NMED by no later than November 20, 2026. Unless a revised Part A is also submitted, NMED will consider the Part A application submitted on July 11, 2025, as part of the new complete Revised Permit Application. While NMED appreciates the redline provided on October 7, 2026, NMED’s review timeline will begin when the complete Revised Permit Application has been received.

The Revised Permit Application must be submitted to NMED in the form of 3 physical copies and at least one electronic copy. An electronic copy must be made available to the public through the Los Alamos Electronic Public Reading Room (EPRR).

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Siona Briley at (505) 946-8781 or via email at brian.polgar@env.nm.gov.

Sincerely,

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