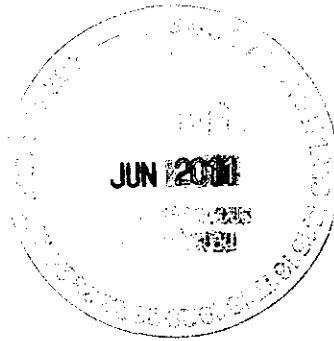




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**Subject: Request for Extension for the Submittal of the Notice of Disapproval Response for the Stormwater Performance Monitoring in the Los Alamos/Pueblo Watershed during 2010**

Dear Mr. Kieling:

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) and Los Alamos National Laboratory (the Laboratory) received the New Mexico Environment Department's (NMED's) May 12, 2011, Notice of Disapproval for the Stormwater Performance Monitoring in the Los Alamos/Pueblo Watershed during 2010. Pursuant to Section III.J.2 of the Compliance Order on Consent, the Laboratory requests an extension of 92 days, from June 30, 2011, to September 30, 2011, to submit the response to the notice of disapproval.

The basis for this extension request is the large number of comments and the need to clarify expectations for this first-of-a-kind monitoring report. In a May 26, 2011, meeting with your staff on a related topic, the Laboratory briefly discussed the magnitude of the notice of disapproval and the need for an extension request. In order to gain a better understanding of your expectations for future performance monitoring reports, we would like to meet with your staff sometime in June to review your comments more thoroughly. After this meeting, the Laboratory can address your comments more effectively in our response.

If you have any questions, please contact Steve Veenis at (505) 667-0013 (veenis@lanl.gov) or Cheryl Rodriguez at (505) 665-5330 (crodriguez2@doeal.gov).

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