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**RE: APPROVAL
EXTENSION REQUEST FOR SUBMITTAL OF THE
INVESTIGATION WORK PLAN AND
HISTORICAL INVESTIGATION REPORT FOR THE
TA-57 AGGREGATE AREA
LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY
EPA ID#NM0890010515
HWB-LANL-11-MISC**

Dear Messrs. Rael and Graham:

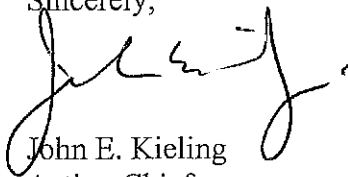
The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) is in receipt of the United States Department of Energy (DOE) and Los Alamos National Security, L.L.C.'s (collectively, the Permittees) document entitled *Extension Request for the Investigation Work Plan and Historical Investigation Report for the Technical Area 57 Aggregate Area* (IWP and HIR) dated October 13, 2011 and referenced by EP2011-0345.

The Permittees request the extension to submit the IWP and HIR due to the need to coordinate investigation activities with the U.S. Forest Service, which is the agency that administers the property. The Permittees stated cause for the requested time extension is acceptable. The submittal date for the Report is hereby postponed from October 31, 2011 to **April 30, 2012**, as requested.

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Please contact Dave Cobrain at (505) 476-6055 if you have questions.

Sincerely,



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