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August 14, 2018

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RE: COMPENDIUM OF TECHNICAL REPORTS RELATED TO THE DEEP GROUNDWATER INVESTIGATION FOR THE RDX PROJECT LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY EPA ID#NM0890010515 HWB-LANL-18-014

Dear Messrs. Hintze and Lombardo:

The New Mexico Environment Department ("NMED") has received from the United States Department of Energy ("DOE") and the Los Alamos National Security L.L.C.'s ("LANS") Compendium of Technical Reports Related to the Deep Groundwater Investigation for the RDX Project at Los Alamos National Laboratory ("Report"), dated March 28, 2018 and referenced by EP2018-0006/LAUR-18-21326. Subsequent to the submittal of the Report, DOE transferred this effort from LANS to DOE's contractor Newport News Nuclear BWXT-LA, which is also a Permittee under EPA ID #NM0890010515.

The Report was submitted to NMED to fulfill the 2016 Compliance Order on Consent ("Consent Order") requirement under the RDX Characterization Campaign as identified in Appendix B, Milestones and Targets, Milestone #2 for Fiscal Year 2018, "Technical Report Package Related to Deep Groundwater Investigation," due March 30, 2018.

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NMED hereby validates that the Report meets the requirements of Milestone #2 of Appendix B of the 2016 Consent Order. This validation does not constitute an approval of the conclusions and data as described in the Report.

If you have any questions or comments regarding this correspondence, please contact Dane Andersen at 505-476-6056.

Sincerely,

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