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Mr. Douglas Sayre Chair Northern New Mexico Citizens' Advisory Board 94 Cities of Gold Road Santa Fe, NM 87506

Dear Mr. Sayre:

Reference:

1. NNMCAB letter to Mr. Doug Hintze, EM-LA, from D. Sayre, NNMCAB, Subject: "Recommendation No. 2016-01, Campaign Approach," dated January 28, 2016

Thank you for submitting Recommendation No. 2016-01, "Campaign Approach," to our office for consideration in planning future work.

The Department of Energy's Environmental Management- Los Alamos Field Office (EM-LA) acknowledges the Northern New Mexico Citizens' Advisory Board's (NNMCAB) recommendation to utilize the "Campaign Approach" in planning future work elements. This approach worked well with the previous Transuranic Waste (TRU) "3,706" goal by focusing our attention on removal of above ground TRU waste and dramatically reducing the amount of Material-At-Risk (MAR) at the Los Alamos National Laboratory. The EM-LA appreciates the NNMCAB's recommendations to utilize this approach for bundling logical and executional work elements to achieve measurable success with our remaining work. Further, the state of New Mexico has endorsed this method of budgeting and planning for our remaining work under the Consent Order. The board's engagement in EM-LA work is helpful and this recommendation will be utilized in development of future budgets.

If you have any additional questions or concerns regarding the response to this recommendation, please contact M. Lee Bishop at (505) 606-1804 or Michael Gardipe at (505) 606-1962.

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