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**RE: APPROVAL
DRILLING WORK PLAN FOR CHROMIUM GROUNDWATER PROJECT
REGIONAL AQUIFER MONITORING WELL R-71
LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY
EPA ID #NM0890010515
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Dear Mr. Duran:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has received the United States Department of Energy-Environmental Management's (DOE-EM) *Drilling Work Plan for Ground Water Project Regional Aquifer Monitoring Well R-71* (Work Plan) referenced by EM2020-0026 received February 19, 2020.

This Work Plan reflects the approach agreed upon by the DOE-EM, Newport News Nuclear BWXT-Los Alamos, LLC (N3B), and the NMED during a pre-submission meeting held on April 18, 2019. Details of the proposed construction and location of well R-71 are included in the Work Plan. NMED has reviewed the Work Plan and hereby issues this Approval.

In the fiscal year 2020 Appendix B of the 2016 Compliance Order, completion of regional well R-71 and collection of first samples is listed as a target date of January 29, 2021.

If you have any questions regarding this correspondence, please contact Michael Jojola at (505) 476-6056.

Sincerely



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