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July 23, 2020

Mr. Kevin Pierard
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Subject: Monthly Notification of Groundwater Data Reviewed in July 2020

Dear Mr. Pierard:

This letter is the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Environmental Management Los Alamos Field Office (EM-LA) and Newport News Nuclear BWXT-Los Alamos, LLC (N3B) written submission in accordance with Section XXVI.D of the 2016 Compliance Order on Consent (2016 Consent Order). Members of EM-LA and N3B met on July 9, 2020, to review groundwater data loaded or released in the Environmental Information Management (EIM) System in June 2020, in accordance with Section XXVI.C of the 2016 Consent Order.

EM-LA transitioned to Essential Mission Critical Activities (EMCA) status on March 24, 2020 (EMLA-2020-1393-02-001). Groundwater monitoring and fieldwork associated with completing Consent Order Appendix B fiscal year 2020 milestones were stopped pursuant to the requirements in Section XXXII.D, Force Majeure, of the Consent Order. As a result, groundwater sampling was not conducted following the start of the EMCA status. During the same time, the March sampling campaign in the Weapons Facility Operations was not performed because of pending approvals regarding the use of field personal electronic devices (PEDs).

The EMCA status and PED-associated access restrictions resulted in a reduction in sampling activities beginning in March 2020. Consequently, there were significantly reduced numbers of analytical results loaded and released into EIM during the month of June for review.

Participants in the July 9, 2020, data review meeting determined that there were no cases of a contaminant detected in a well screen interval or spring at a concentration that met criteria for either 1-day or 15-day notifications as described in sections XXVI.C and XXVI.D of the 2016 Consent Order.

If you have questions, please contact Steve Veenis at (505) 309-1362 (steve.veenis@em-la.doe.gov) or Hai Shen at (505) 257-7943 (hai.shen@em.doe.gov).

Sincerely,

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Thank you.

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Mr. Pierard,
Attached for submittal is a pdf of the following:

- Monthly Notification of Groundwater Data Reviewed in July 2020

Please acknowledge receipt of this submittal by responding to this email.
Let me know if you have any questions.
Thank you.

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