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Subject: NPDES Permit No. NM0030759 - Certification of Installation of Enhanced Control

**Measures for CHQ-SMA-4** 

Dear Ms. Johnson:

This letter and enclosure are being submitted in accordance with the requirements of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit No. NM0030759, for discharges of storm water at Los Alamos National Laboratory. The permit was issued to Los Alamos National Security, LLC (LANS) and the U.S. Department of Energy, effective November 1, 2010, and on April 30, 2018, responsibilities, coverage, and liability transferred from LANS to Newport News Nuclear BWXT-Los Alamos, LLC (N3B). As specified in Part I, Section E.I(c), "Permittees shall certify completion of installation of control measures under this subsection to EPA within 30 days of completion of all such measures at the Site. . . ."

Accordingly, the document for certification of enhanced control measures completed at CHQ-SMA-4 within the last 30 days is included as Enclosure 1. Table 1 identifies the permitted feature, site monitoring area (SMA), and Site applicable to the certification. The certification was signed in accordance with 40 Code of Federal Regulations 122.22(b) and will also be posted to the Individual Permit public website (https://ext.em-la.doe.gov/ips).

Table 1
SMAs Included in This Submittal
of Certification of Installation of Enhanced Control Measures

Permitted Feature	SMA	Site
Q005	CHQ-SMA-4	33-011(e)

If you have any questions, please contact Emily Day at (505) 695-4243 (emily.day@em-la.doe.gov) or M. Lee Bishop at (505) 257-7902 (lee.bishop@em.doe.gov).

Sincerely,

Troy Thomson

Acting Program Manager Environmental Remediation

N3B-Los Alamos

Sincerely,

M Lee Bishop

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M. Lee Bishop, Director

Office of Quality and Regulatory Compliance

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Enclosure(s): One hard copy with electronic files –

1. Certification of Installation of Enhanced Control Measures at CHQ-SMA-4 (EM2021-0518)

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# Certification of Installation of Enhanced Control Measures at CHQ-SMA-4

October 12, 2021

NPDES PERMIT NO. NM0030759 EM2021-0518

PF: Q005 CHQ-SMA-4 Sites: 33-011(e)

The following certification was performed in accordance with NPDES Permit No. NM0030759, Part I.E.1(c), which requires the Permittees (U.S. Department of Energy and Newport News Nuclear BWXT-Los Alamos, LLC) to certify the completion of the installation of control measures within 30 days of completion of the installation of all such measures at the Site.

#### **CERTIFICATION STATEMENT OF AUTHORIZATION**

"I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate and complete. I am aware there are significant penalties for submitting false information including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations."

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Troy Thomson, Acting Program Manager	Date
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Newport News Nuclear BWXT-Los Alamos, LLC	
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M. Lee Bishop, Director	Date

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PF: Q005 CHQ-SMA-4 Site: 33-011(e)

In August 2018, analytical results received from extended baseline monitoring at site monitoring area (SMA) CHQ-SMA-4 yielded target action level (TAL) exceedances for polychlorinated biphenyls, gross alpha, and selenium, prompting the Permittees to initiate corrective action.

In accordance with the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit No. NM0030759 (the Permit) Part I.E.1(c), the design, installation, and documentation of enhanced control measures reasonably expected to achieve compliance with TALs identified in the Permit for all Sites within the identified SMA drainage area have been completed. Included in this document are photos (listed in Table 1 and shown on pages 2 through 4) and a map (Figure 1) of the enhanced control measures to be certified.

Table 1
Enhanced Control Measure Descriptions

Photo ID	Control Measure ID	Type of Control Measure	Control Measure
1. JPG	Q00503010023	Berm	Earthen Berm
2. JPG	Q00503010024	Berm	Earthen Berm
3. JPG	Q00504060025	Channel/Swale	Rip Rap

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Photos:



Photo ID	Control Measure ID	Type of Control Measure	Control Measure	Photo Angle
1. JPG	Q00503010023	Berm	Earthen Berm	Looking west

PF: Q005 CHQ-SMA-4 Site: 33-011(e)



Photo ID	Control Measure ID	Type of Control Measure	Control Measure	Photo Angle
2. JPG	Q00503010024	Berm	Earthen Berm	Looking north

PF: Q005 CHQ-SMA-4 Site: 33-011(e)



Photo ID	Control Measure ID	Type of Control Measure	Control Measure	Photo Angle
3. JPG	Q00504060025	Channel/Swale	Rip Rap	Looking north

PF: Q005 CHQ-SMA-4 Site: 33-011(e)

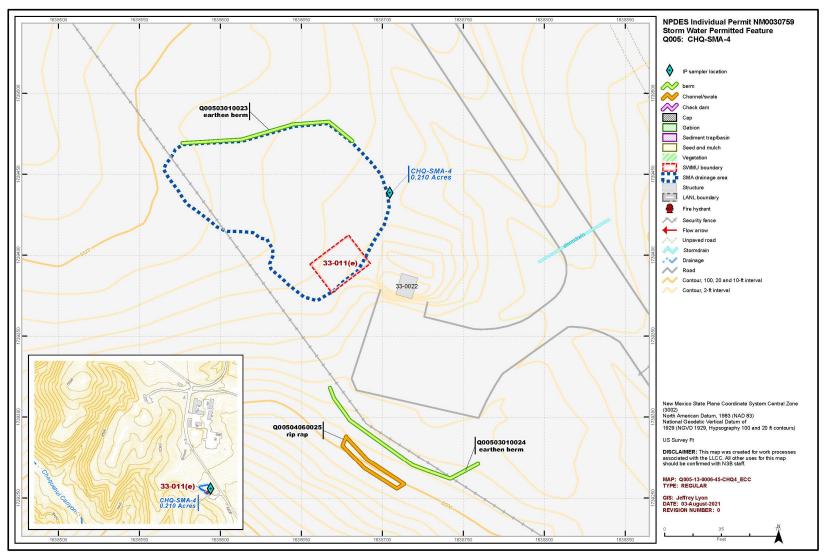


Figure 1 CHQ-SMA-4 enhanced control measures