



November 29, 2021

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**RE: REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATES OF COMPLETION FOR FIVE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT UNITS IN
THE PUEBLO CANYON AGGREGATE AREA
LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY
EPA ID#NM0890010515
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Dear Arturo Duran:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has received the United States Department of Energy's (DOE) *Request for Certificates of Completion for Five Solid Waste Management Units in the Pueblo Canyon Aggregate Area* (Request), received July 7, 2020, and referenced by EMLA-2020-1476-02-001

The DOE is requesting certificates of completion with controls for five solid waste management units (SWMUs), 73-001(a), 73-001(b), 73-001(c), 73-001(d), and 73-004(d).. NMED notes the controls for these sites are the monitoring, maintenance and reporting required by the *Long-Term Monitoring Plan, Los Alamos County Airport Landfill Cover Replacement, Solid Waste Management Units 73-001(a,d), Technical Area 73* (LTMP), submitted by DOE in March 2017 and approved by NMED on March 30, 2017.

The LTMP included monitoring the performance of the replacement cover system and inspecting the replacement cover, storm water control system, fencing, retaining walls erosion and sedimentation control measures site access and the Debris Disposal Area system (DDA).

According to the LTMP, after the initial five years of monitoring a Performance of the Remedy Report must be submitted to NMED along with a monitoring plan going forward. On November 15, 2021 NMED and DOE discussed the submittal of the Remedy Report and monitoring schedule, and it was agreed that DOE would submit Remedy Report and revised monitoring schedule after the next two quarters of monitoring were completed for 73-001(a, d). However, since the Remedy Report and monitoring schedule has not been provided for NMED review, NMED cannot consider the request for the Certificates of Completion for SWMUs 73-001(a), 73-001(b), 73-001(c), 73-001(d), and 73-004(d) at this time.

NMED will consider the request for certificates of completion for these sites after completing review of the Performance of the Remedy Report to be submitted next year.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Mitchell Schatz (505) 690-5910.

Sincerely,

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