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GROUND WATER QUALITY BUREAU

Response to Notice of Violation, Los Alamos National Laboratory Underground Subject:

Injection Control Wells, DP-1835

Dear Mr. Ball:

On June 6, 2022, the U.S. Department of Energy Environmental Management Los Alamos Field Office and Newport News Nuclear BWXT-Los Alamos, LLC (collectively, the Permittees) received the "Notice of Violation, Los Alamos National Laboratory Underground Injection Control Wells, DP-1835" from the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED).

The Permittees agree to submit an action plan (AP) to NMED to advance collaborative efforts and further optimize the Chromium Interim Measure (IM) Campaign under the 2016 Compliance Order on Consent (Consent Order). In developing this AP, the Permittees will continue to engage with NMED at senior management and technical staff levels to ensure the AP satisfies the objectives of both the Permittees and NMED for holistically addressing chromium contamination in the aquifer.

The Permittees respectfully request NMED's approval to submit the AP by September 30, 2022. This additional time will enable the Permittees to develop a robust AP, engage with NMED, consult with the Pueblo de San Ildefonso, and confer with Los Alamos County regarding the AP.

If you have questions, please contact Christian Maupin at (505) 695-4281 (christian.maupin@emla.doe.gov) or Cheryl Rodriguez at (505) 414-0450 (cheryl.rodriguez@em.doe.gov).

Sincerely,

Troy Thomson Program Manager

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