



March 30, 2023

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Re: Approval
Completion Report for Regional Aquifer Monitoring Well R-71
Los Alamos National Laboratory
EPA ID#NM0890010515
HWB-LANL-22-062

Dear Mr. Duran,

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has received the United States Department of Energy (DOE) *Completion Report for Regional Aquifer Monitoring Well R-71*, (Report) to fulfil Fiscal Year 2022 Milestone No. 4, Appendix B of the 2016 Order on Consent. The report is dated and received on September 16, 2022, referenced as EM2022-0305.

NMED has reviewed and approves the Report. If DOE wishes to proceed with aquifer testing in well R-71, prepare a Standard Operating Procedure or Workplan and submit the Procedure or Workplan to NMED for approval using *Aquifer Performance Test Procedures for Hazardous Waste Facilities in New Mexico (November 2022)* available at <https://www.env.nm.gov/hazardous-waste/guidance-documents/>.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Michael Petersen (505) 690-5107.

Sincerely,

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