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Subject: Request for a 60-day Extension of the Storage Time for the Waste Containers in Storage in the Waste Handling Building Container Storage Unit and Parking Area Unit at the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant, Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Number NM4890139088-TSDF

Dear Mr. Nance:

The purpose of this letter is to request an extension of storage time for the contact-handled transuranic (CH TRU) mixed waste containers in storage in the Waste Handling Building (WHB) Container Storage Unit, CH-Bay Storage Area, and the Parking Area Unit (PAU) at the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) facility. The containers of CH TRU mixed waste from shipments of waste in storage are approaching their respective storage time limits.

Permit Part 3, Section 3.1.1.7, *CH TRU Mixed Storage Time Limit*, limits the storage of CH TRU mixed waste containers in the WHB Unit to 60 calendar days. Permit Part 3, Section 3.1.2.6, *Storage Time Limit*, limits the storage of CH Packages in the PAU to no more than 59 days after the Inner Containment Vessel (ICV) of the Package was sealed at the generator site. The waste containers in storage in the PAU will be vented prior to the 59-day PAU storage limit.

Enclosed is a list of containers from respective shipments in storage, along with their respective expiration dates. The containers from one waste shipment (IN260033) in storage in the WHB Unit have the earliest time limit expiration date of June 28, 2026. The containers from two waste shipments (LA260044 and IN260045) have a storage time limit expiration date of July 11, 2026, which represents the latest storage time limit expiration date for those waste containers in the WHB Unit included in this request.

It was discovered that components on both the Air Intake Shaft (AIS) and Salt Handling Shaft hoists need maintenance. As a result of this, both hoists were removed from service. Subsequently, underground access and shipments have been temporarily suspended. It is anticipated that the AIS will be operational by mid-August 2026.

Based on the earliest time limit expiration date and anticipated schedule for completion of maintenance activities, the Permittees request a 60-calendar day storage time extension until August 27, 2026, for these waste containers.

The waste containers currently stored in the WHB and PAU pose no additional hazards to human health or the environment. This is based upon the following:

- The waste containers are being stored in accordance with WIPP standard operating procedures that implement the Permit requirements and WIPP safety requirements.
- The WIPP facility is permitted and secure. Storage area inspections are conducted weekly as required by the Permit.
- The Permittees have demonstrated that they can successfully store waste containers over longer storage times with no impact to human health and the environment. In the past, waste containers in the WHB and PAU have been safely stored for more than one year.
- The waste containers inside the WHB and PAU are in static storage and are in a safe configuration in a controlled environment. There are currently no active waste management activities other than inspections being performed and venting; therefore, there is no risk of drum punctures, dropping of drums, or other incidents resulting from the active management of waste containers.
- The waste containers presently stored in the WHB and CH Packages in the PAU are in good condition. Waste containers are free from physical damage (such as severe rusting, apparent structural defects, or signs of pressurization and leakage).
- The waste containers are compatible with the waste. No evidence of incompatibility (such as bulging or corrosion) has been observed.
- The waste containers are closed and are not stored in a manner that may rupture the containers or cause them to leak. No evidence of open containers or improper storage has been observed.

This request is being made pursuant to Permit Part 1, Section 1.10.3, *Extension of Time*. Your timely response to this letter is appreciated.

We certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under our direction or supervision according to a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on our 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 our knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. We are aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations.

Mr. Michael Gerle, Director, Environmental Regulatory Compliance Division, is your point of contact regarding any technical questions or comments. Mr. Gerle can be reached at (575) 988-5372.

Sincerely,

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Container Inventory

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CH Bay Storage Unit Waste Container Inventory Included In Request

Shipment	60 Day CH Bay Permitted Storage Time Limit Deadline	Container Type	Container ID
IN260033			
	6/28/2026	SWB	BN10705203
IN260035			
	6/30/2026	SWB	BN10705284
	6/30/2026	SWB	BN10705288
IN260036			
	7/2/2026	SWB	BN10705951
	7/2/2026	SWB	BN10705190
IN260040			
	7/6/2026	SC55G1	ID028C-1SC
	7/6/2026	SC55G1	ID028FSC
	7/10/2026	100 G	BN10626824
	7/10/2026	100 G	BN10627166
	7/10/2026	100 G	BN10646067
	7/10/2026	100 G	BN10622095
	7/10/2026	100 G	BN10627162
	7/10/2026	100 G	BN10650066
IN260041			
	7/9/2026	TDOP	BN10705435
	7/9/2026	TDOP	BN10705859
	7/9/2026	SWB	BN10705202
IN260042			
	7/6/2026	100 G	BN10570541
	7/6/2026	100 G	BN10576561
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	7/6/2026	100 G	BN10626497
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	7/6/2026	100 G	BN10566403
	7/6/2026	100 G	BN10626706
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	7/10/2026	100 G	BN10630939
	7/10/2026	100 G	BN10643664
	7/10/2026	100 G	BN10651108
IN260043			
	7/9/2026	100 G	BN10635826
	7/9/2026	100 G	BN10636041

Shipment	60 Day CH Bay Permitted Storage Time Limit Deadline	Container Type	Container ID
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	7/9/2026	100 G	BN10644526
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	6/29/2026	100 G	BN10627416
	6/29/2026	100 G	BN10623216
	6/29/2026	100 G	BN10626111
	6/29/2026	100 G	BN10627424
	7/9/2026	100 G	BN10539105
	7/9/2026	100 G	BN10623153
	7/9/2026	100 G	BN10643431
IN260045			
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	7/10/2026	TDOP	BN10705872
	7/11/2026	SWB	BN10705201
IN260046			
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	7/10/2026	TDOP	BN10705874
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	7/4/2026	SWB	LA00000071325
LA260040			
	7/6/2026	SWB	LA00000079541
	7/6/2026	SWB	LA00000078824
	7/6/2026	SWB	LA00000078781
LA260042			
	7/9/2026	SWB	LA00000076045
	7/9/2026	SWB	LA00000079410
	7/10/2026	SWB	LA00000079495
LA260044			
	6/30/2026	SWB	LA00000077741

Shipment	60 Day CH Bay Permitted Storage Time Limit Deadline	Container Type	Container ID
	7/11/2026	SWB	LA00000078831

PAU Storage Waste Container Inventory Included In Request

Shipment	59 Day PAU Permitted Storage Time Limit Deadline	Container Type	Container ID
SR260005			
	7/5/2026	CCO	KDB24003506
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	7/5/2026	CCO	KDB25004801
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	7/5/2026	CCO	KDB25004880
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	7/5/2026	CCO	KDB25005349
	7/5/2026	CCO	KDB25005350
	7/5/2026	CCO	KDB24002092
	7/5/2026	CCO	KDB25002147
	7/5/2026	CCO	KDB25002902
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Shipment	59 Day PAU Permitted Storage Time Limit Deadline	Container Type	Container ID
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	8/3/2026	CCO	KDB25002852
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	8/3/2026	CCO	KDB25003939
	8/3/2026	CCO	KDB25004016
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SR260010			
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	6/29/2026	55 G	LA00000096669
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Shipment	59 Day PAU Permitted Storage Time Limit Deadline	Container Type	Container ID
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	6/29/2026	55 G	LA00000096496
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	7/3/2026	POC	LA00000074658
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LA260044			
	7/4/2026	SWB	LA00000078819
LA260046			
	7/6/2026	SWB	LA00000079516
	7/6/2026	SWB	LA00000077772
	7/6/2026	SWB	LA00000078799

Shipment	59 Day PAU Permitted Storage Time Limit Deadline	Container Type	Container ID
IN260047			
	7/5/2026	TDOP	BN10705425
	7/5/2026	SC-55G1	ID034CSC
	7/5/2026	SC-55G1	ID048ESC
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