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Mr. John E. Kieling, Chief Hazardous Waste Bureau New Mexico Environment Department 2905 Rodeo Park Drive East, Building 1 Santa Fe, NM 87505-6303

Subject: Request for Extension of Time to Perform Annual Recertification Audit of the Advanced Mixed Waste Treatment Project, Audit A-18-04

Dear Mr. Kieling:

The purpose of this letter is to request an extension of time to perform Advanced Mixed Waste Treatment Project (AMWTP) Recertification Audit A-18-04, from December 2017 to spring 2018. An extension is permissible pursuant to the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Part 1, section 1.10.3. Pursuant to permit Attachment C6, section C6-3, "Audits will be conducted at least annually for each site involved in the waste characterization program." The extension, if granted, would direct that the audit be scheduled and completed no later than April 2018.

This request is based on the time needed to address issues related to the implementation of the Enhanced Acceptable Knowledge (AK) process by AMWTP for multiple summary category groups. Your approval of this request will help ensure the applicable requirements are met.

I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision according to 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 that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fines and imprisonment for knowing violations.

Please contact the Carlsbad Field Office (CBFO) Director of the Office of Environmental Protection, Mr. George Basabilvazo, at (575) 234-7488 should you have any questions concerning this request.

Sincerely,

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Todd Shrader, Manager Carlsbad Field Office