

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 6 1201 ELM STREET, SUITE 500 DALLAS, TEXAS 75270

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Mark Bollinger Acting Manager Carlsbad Field Office 4021 National Parks Highway Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

## RE: The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 6 Extension of Current Approval of Storage and Disposal of Non-liquid Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs) at the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) located at Carlsbad, New Mexico (EPA I.D. No. NM4890139088).

Dear Mr. Bollinger:

The EPA is currently reviewing your renewal application and supplemental information submitted in July 2022 for compliance with 40 CFR 761.65 and 761.70. In addition, EPA is fulfilling its obligations under the Endangered Species Act and the National Historic Preservation Act.

In order for EPA to complete the review, I am extending your current approval, pursuant to regulations promulgated under section 6(e) of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) and codified in 40 CFR Parts 750 and 761. The EPA finds that continuing the extension of your current approval for storage and disposal for PCBs at the WIPP until September 30, 2023, does not present an unreasonable risk of injury to health or the environment.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Harry Shah at (214) 665-6457 or <u>shah.harry@epa.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

3/9/2023

X Ronald D. Crossland

Ronald D. Crossland Director Signed by: RONALD CROSSLAND

cc: Ricardo Maestas (NMED)