

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555-0001

March 30, 2022

Chris Shaw, Licensing Manager and Corporate RSO The Summit at Preston Trails 17103 Preston Road, Suite #200 Dallas, TX 75248

SUBJECT: ACCEPTANCE OF THE MARCH 18, 2022, WASTE CONTROL SPECIALISTS LLC REQUEST TO EXTEND THE POSSESSION TIME OF LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY WASTE IN THE EXEMPTION ORDER CONDITION 8.B.4 UNTIL DECEMBER 31, 2024, AND ADD A THIRD LOCATION TO POSSESS AND STORE THAT WASTE (CAC NO. 001542/DOCKET NO. 070-7005/EPID NO. L-2022-LLO-0002)

Dear Chris Shaw:

On March 18, 2022, Waste Control Specialists LLC (WCS) sent a letter to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) requesting relaxation of Condition 8.B.4 of the currently effective NRC Exemption Order to WCS. In the letter, WCS requested permission to possess U.S. Department of Energy Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) Waste at the WCS Low-Level Waste Site (WCS Site) near Andrews, Texas, until December 31, 2024. The publicly available WCS Request is available in the NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) as Accession No. ML22081A181.

The NRC has completed its acceptance review of the WCS Request and will proceed with the detailed technical review. The NRC expects to complete its safety and environmental review with issuance of an NRC letter to WCS by July 29, 2022, under Condition 11 of the 2014 Exemption Order to WCS.

If there are emergent complexities or challenges in our review that would cause changes to the schedule, then the reasons for the changes and the new schedule will be communicated to WCS and Texas.

Please send all future such requests to modify the Conditions in the NRC Order to WCS to: ATTN: Document Control Desk, Director, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001. In accordance with Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations (CFR)* Section 2.390, "Agency Rules of Practice and Procedure," a copy of this letter will be available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the Publicly Available Records component of ADAMS. ADAMS is accessible from the NRC Web site at http://www.nrc.gov/readingrm/adams.html

If you have any questions or need additional information, then please contact me at <u>Harry.Felsher@nrc.gov</u> or at 301-415-6559.

Sincerely,

Gharry Selden Signed by Felsher, Harry on 03/30/22

Harry D. Felsher, Sr. Project Manager Low-Level Waste and Projects Branch Division of Decommissioning, Uranium Recovery and Waste Programs Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards

Docket No. 0700-7005

cc: A. Forbes Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

> Jay B. Cartwright Waste Control Specialists LLC

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NRC Acceptance Letter for WCS Request to Extend Possession Time of LANL Waste until December 31, 2024 DATE March 30, 2022

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