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Western Refining Southwest Inc., Gallup Refinery
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**RE: APPROVAL
REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
SANITARY LAGOON INVESTIGATION
WESTERN REFINING SOUTHWEST INC., GALLUP REFINERY
EPA ID # NMD000333211
HWB-WRG-18-004**

Dear Mr. Moore:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has received the Marathon Petroleum Company dba Western Refining Southwest Inc., Gallup Refinery (Permittee) *Request for Extension of Sanitary Lagoon Investigation*, dated December 10, 2019.

NMED approved the proposed work at the Sanitary Lagoon in a letter dated July 10, 2019 *Approval with Modifications [Revised] Investigation Work Plan Sanitary Lagoon*. The Permittee requests an extension of time to conduct a portion of the proposed work, because a release of product was discovered near the truck loading rack that has migrated to the area.

The Permittee states that the Sanitary Lagoon investigation was "implemented on October 28, 2019, with borings within the lagoon completed, soil samples collected, and groundwater samples collected from temporary wells." The approved Work Plan also required an investigation along the pipeline to the south of the Sanitary Lagoon. The Permittee notes that

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the release from the truck loading rack has "migrated into this area and appears to be continuing to move north possibly along or near the pipeline."

The Permittee requests to temporarily suspend the investigation along the pipeline, but proposes to submit the investigation report with the available information by the original due date of February 28, 2020.

NMED hereby approved the request. The Permittee must submit the Sanitary Lagoon Investigation Report no later than **February 28, 2020**. The Permittee must address the investigation along the pipeline at another time.

If you have questions regarding this Approval, please contact Kristen Van Horn at 505-476-6042.

Sincerely,



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