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CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

May 28, 2021

John Moore
Environmental Superintendent
Western Refining, Southwest Inc., Gallup Refinery
92 Giant Crossing Road
Gallup, New Mexico 87301

**RE: APPROVAL
REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME, DISAPPROVAL ANNUAL GROUNDWATER
MONITORING REPORT GALLUP REFINERY – 2019, COMMENT 46
WESTERN REFINING SOUTHWEST INC., GALLUP REFINERY
EPA ID # NMD000333211
HWB-WRG-20-013**

Dear Mr. Moore:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) is in receipt of the Marathon Petroleum Company dba Western Refining Southwest Inc., Gallup Refinery (Permittee) *Request for Extension of Time, Disapproval Annual Groundwater Monitoring Report Gallup Refinery – 2019, Comment 46* (Request), dated April 30, 2021, and received May 3, 2021.

The Request states, “previous surveys of the sewer lines performed by MPC in the vicinity of the pad did not reveal any integrity issues. Given the assessment findings, MPC has initiated preparation of the requested work plan that includes additional assessment activities adjacent to the bundle cleaning pad to evaluate potential sources of benzene to well MKTF-16. Therefore, MPC respectfully requests an extension to the submittal date for the requested work plan to allow for incorporating the findings presented herein.”

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Although the Permittee adequately describes the basis for the request, the length of the requested extension was not provided. Both NMED's March 2, 2021 email and the Permit Section I.J.12 require the Permittee to state the length of the requested extension and an anticipated submission due date for the submittal. Address this comment in future requests for extension of time. Regardless, The Permittee has shown good cause for an extension; therefore, NMED hereby grants the extension. The date to submit the required submittal has been changed to **September 30, 2021**, in order to accommodate the Permittee's request.

Should you have any questions, please contact Michiya Suzuki of my staff at (505) 476-6046.

Sincerely,



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