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In support of efforts similar to the movie "The Hurt Locker", I am writing as a concerned citizen to request a 10-year extension to the existing hazardous waste permit issued to the Los Alamos National Laboratory. It is my belief that the laboratory has made significant strides in supporting environmental issues since the end of the cold war and the associated national priorities. I am convinced that the laboratory is both knowledgeable and will perform with all due diligence in the handling and disposal of those traditional or exotic explosives associated with those programs supporting our national interest - especially those dealing with explosives detection and armor improvement.

In the absence of such an approval, I am particularly concerned about the alternative - that is moving such activities to another state. This is analogous to the citizen being in favor of building more prisons but being against locations anywhere near their neighborhood. The laboratory has the people, technology, space and history to safely support such activities.

The fact that your department is actively involved in monitoring the laboratory's activities provides further assurance to me that all such activities will be performed in a safe and environmental friendly manner to the extent practical.

Sincerely,

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