



## LANL Major Subcontractors' Consortium

### **A RESOLUTION REGARDING LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY'S ENVIRONMENTAL MITIGATION MASTER TASK ORDER AGREEMENTS, THEIR IMPACT ON THE ECONOMY OF NORTHERN NEW MEXICO AND THE TRANSITION OF THE OVERSIGHT OF THIS WORK FROM LANS TO EM**

WHEREAS, the economic well being of northern New Mexico is directly affected by the activities of Los Alamos National Laboratory and its subcontractors; and

WHEREAS, 46% of the membership of the Los Alamos National Laboratory's Major Subcontractors' Consortium are directly involved in environmental mitigation work at the laboratory; and

WHEREAS, four Master Task Order Agreement contracts for the entire environmental program at LANL were competed nationwide among small businesses (with headcounts of less than 500) and awarded by LANS in 2012 and 2013; and

WHEREAS, the stated goal during the bid process was to award these contracts to firms who understood LANL's environmental program, had the knowledge and experience, and could best address the local clean-up goals; and

WHEREAS, with NNSA review and approval, LANS awarded each of the four MTOA contracts to three or four companies with strong local ties and staff; and

WHEREAS, each of these contracts were awarded for a period of five years (combined base plus option years) and were valued at several hundred million dollars each; and

WHEREAS, to date, the contracts have not been used as expected, bidding opportunities have been few and most of the companies awarded the contracts have been forced to lay staff off because of lack of environmental work; and

WHEREAS, preparing complicated proposals such as these are expensive for small businesses, and a lack of bidding opportunities directly hurts their ability to maintain a healthy office in Northern New Mexico and contribute to the local economy and community; and

WHEREAS, clean-up commitments to the State of New Mexico continue to be delayed due to the TRU campaign funding priority under limited budgets, and most recently because of the LANL originated drum that caused the release at WIPP; and

WHEREAS, investigations and recovery from the WIPP incident are anticipated to take years for DOE and those responsible to resolve; and

WHEREAS, during this same time period almost all other environmental work at LANL has stopped; and

WHEREAS, the transition of the environmental mitigation work from NNSA to EM oversight has the potential to further negatively impact nearly half of the Consortium's collective employees, their families, and all residents of northern New Mexico;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LANL MAJOR SUBCONTRACTORS' CONSORTIUM that the United States Department of Energy be strongly encouraged to expedite renegotiation of the Consent Order priorities with NMED to continue progress on LANL Legacy Clean-up sites; and

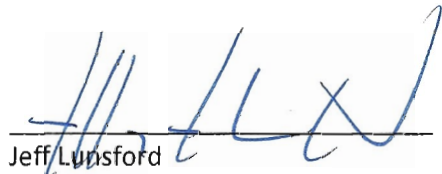
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the United States Department of Energy uses the existing MTOAs by transferring them from LANS to EM for continued work during and beyond transition, thereby expediting LANL cleanup while also sustaining the knowledgeable and experienced local small businesses, and thereby expediting completion of the Department of Energy's cleanup obligations to the state of New Mexico, and benefiting the economy and communities of northern New Mexico; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be transmitted to Senator Tom Udall, Senator Martin Heinrich, Congressman Ben Ray Lujan, Congressman Steve Pearce, Congresswoman Michelle Lujan Grisham, the secretary of the New Mexico Environment Department, the DOE Office of Environmental Management, the Director and management team of Los Alamos National Laboratory, and the Department of Energy Los Alamos Field Office.

Approved in open MSC membership meeting and signed this eleventh day of December, 2014.



Liddie Martinez,  
MSC President



Jeff Lunsford  
MSC Vice-President