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January 27, 1994

Brigadier General William M. Guth
Base Commander, 27 FW/CC
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Cannon AFB, New Mexico 88103-5214

Dear General Guth:

RE: CELL 3 OF LANDFILL 5, APPROVAL OF CLOSURE CERTIFICATION AND
POST-CLOSURE CARE PLAN EXTENSION

The Hazardous and Radioactive Materials Bureau (HRMB) of the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) is in receipt of two letters from Cannon Air Force Base (CAFB) regarding Cell 3 of Landfill 5 dated October 27, 1993 and November 22, 1993. NMED hereby acknowledges receipt of copies of the official Hazardous Waste Disposal Deed Recordation and Notification submitted in accordance with the New Mexico Hazardous Waste Management Regulations (HWMR-7) Part VI, 40 CFR 265.119.

With respect to NMED's conditional acceptance of closure certification for Cell 3, NMED acknowledges receipt of CAFB's October 27, 1993 response to NMED's request for information and finds that adequate information has been supplied to approve closure certification for Cell 3 of Landfill 5. Secondly, with respect to CAFB's request (November 22, 1993) for an extension to the 90-day submission of a detailed post-closure care plan, NMED finds that pursuant to HWMR-7, Part VI, 40 CFR 265.117(a)(1) and (d) CAFB must begin post-closure care once closure for the unit has been completed. All post-closure care activities must be in accordance with the provisions of the approved post-closure care plan. Therefore, NMED will grant a deferment for submission of the post-closure care plan only until April 18, 1994. Finally, as stated in NMED's letter of September 30, 1993, issuance of the post-closure care permit will be scheduled with CAFB to coincide with the investigation results for Landfill 5 conducted under the EPA HSWA permit.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Kathleen M. Sisneros".

Kathleen M. Sisneros
Director
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