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Mr. Benito Garcia, Chief
New Mexico Environment Department
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Dear Mr. Garcia

Thank you for meeting with members of my Environmental Flight on 22 Aug 95. Prior to this meeting, we may have not had enough communication between our two staffs, and we'd like to work together to help increase the communications. Mrs. Vera Wood of my Environmental Flight has already scheduled a meeting with members of your staff regarding our Part B permit modification. This meeting is scheduled for 0900 hours on 13 Sep 95.

Please find attached a copy of the meeting minutes Dr. Stowell prepared based on the notes Maj Harrell, Ms. Putz and Dr. Stowell took during our discussions. If there are any discrepancies, please notify Dr. Stowell at (505) 784-7057 so she may revise the minutes.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "W. P. Ard", written in a cursive style.

W. P. ARD, Colonel, USAF
Commander, 27th Support Group

Attachment:
Meeting minutes

NMED HRMB and CAFB CEV MEETING

22 AUG 95

Acronyms: NMED: New Mexico Environment Department
HRMB: NMED Hazardous and Radioactive and Radioactive Materials
Bureau
CAFB: Cannon Air Force Base
CEV: CAFB Environmental Flight

HRMB representatives: Bureau Chief, Mr. Benito Garcia; Program Managers: Ms. Barbara Hoditschek, Permitting; Mr. Ron Kern, RCRA Technical; Mr. Colby Muckelroy, Hazardous Waste Enforcement/Inspections; Mr. William Floyd, Radiation Section; Environmental Specialists: Mr. Steve Pullen, RCRA Technical; Ms. Julie Jacobs, Groundwater Bureau.

Maj. Harrell asked what he should know about NMED/Cannon that would help him as the new deputy flight chief and spokesperson for environmental concerns at CAFB. Ms. Hoditschek replied that COMMUNICATION was a big problem. She spoke of the Part B permit and how Cannon had not come up face-to-face before beginning the rewriting process. Cannon was almost ready to submit the revised Part B application but it was not in the form NMED wanted. One face-to-face meeting at the beginning may have saved Cannon time and money.

BOTTOM LINE: Discuss with the regulators what you are going to do before you do it. If you have questions -- CALL THEM.

Ms. Hoditschek mentioned that there are three types of modifications: Class 1, 2, and 3.

Mr. Pullen mentioned that there are different responses to findings or deficiencies: NODs, NOVs, and LOVs.

Mr. Kern stated that NMED will probably get HSWA-RCRA Corrective Actions authority the first of next year.

Mr. Pullen is excited about the RAB and getting some community interest in the environmental programs at CAFB. He said letting the community help decide the subjective issues gives them a stakeholder position in CAFB.

Mr. Muckelroy said he would not recommend eliminating the Part B permit as there could be severe complications.

Ms. Hoditschek said the EPA still had HSWA authority so they (NMED) did not know about how to give back Part B and the complications of HSWA continuing.