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May 14, 2008

Colonel Timothy J. Leahy
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**RE: APPROVAL WITH DIRECTION
RCRA FACILITY INVESTIGATION FOR 21 SWMUs
CANNON AIR FORCE BASE, NEW MEXICO
EPA ID NM7572124454
HWB-CAFB-06-007**

Dear Mr. Leahy:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has reviewed the Department of the Air Force's (Permittee) *Final Revision 1 RCRA Facility Investigation for 21 SWMUs* (Report), dated October 2007. NMED hereby approves this Report with the following additional direction.

Corrective Action Complete without Controls status can only be achieved if all hazardous constituents are detected below their residential New Mexico Soil Screening Levels (NMSSLs). Solid Waste Management Units (SWMUs) included in this Report that are eligible for Corrective Action Complete without Controls status are SWMU 10, SWMU 50, SWMU 72, SWMU 75, SWMU 81, SWMU 98, SWMU 104 and SWMU 125. NMED recommends the Permittee petition for Corrective Action Complete without Controls status for the above listed SWMUs.

Corrective Action Complete with Controls status can be achieved if the hazardous constituents detected at a SWMU are between residential and industrial NMSSLs. The SWMUs included in

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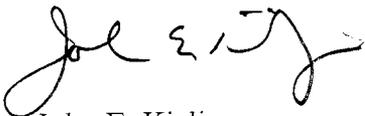
this Report that are eligible for Corrective Action Complete with Controls status are SWMU 2, SWMU 4, SWMU 6, SWMU 82, SWMU 96, and SWMU 102. The Permittee may petition for Corrective Action Complete with Controls status for the above listed SWMUs.

The SWMUs included in this Report that require additional investigation and/or clean-up activities are SWMU 34, SWMU 78, SWMU 85, SWMU 91, SWMU 95, and SWMU 107. A March 2008 work plan for these sites was submitted by the Permittee on April 4, 2008.

SWMU 49, along with SWMUs 48A and 48B, is identified as one of the former storage tanks associated with Facility No. 4028. Investigation activities for SWMU 48A are currently on-going, therefore NMED recommends that the Permittee delay submitting a petition for Corrective Action Complete status for SWMU 49 until after investigation and/or clean-up activities are complete at the site.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please call Cheryl Frischkorn at (505) 476-6058.

Sincerely,



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