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January 20, 2010

Colonel Stephen Clark
27th Special Operations Wing
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**RE: DEFERMENT OF SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT UNIT (SWMU) 108
FROM CORRECTIVE ACTION PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS
CANNON AIR FORCE BASE, NEW MEXICO
EPA ID #NM7572124454**

Dear Col. Clark:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has received Cannon Air Force Base's (Permittee) request, dated December 28, 2009, for deferment of Solid Waste Management Unit (SWMU) 108 from investigative and corrective action activities. NMED hereby approves the request for deferment of SWMU 108.

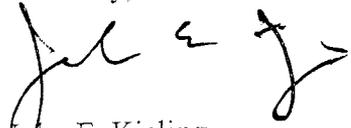
The Permittee is requesting deferment because SWMU 108 is an active facility and is used for explosives technique training. According to *RCRA Facility Investigation, Appendix II SWMUs – Phase II, Cannon Air Force Base, New Mexico, November 1997*, the SWMU remains an active facility. The SWMU was described as “circular with a circumference of about 200 feet defined by a 1-foot-high earthen berm, 2 to 3 feet below surrounding grades sloping downward toward the center within the perimeter.” The Permittee must maintain the earthen berm to prevent offsite migration of potential contaminants that may be released during active use.

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SWMU 108 will remain in Table 1 (List of SWMUs and Areas of Concern Requiring Corrective Action) of the 1993 Permit until corrective action at the unit is complete. When SWMU 108 is no longer in use, then the Permittee must inform NMED and propose to investigate and remediate the site as necessary.

Please contact Pat Stewart at (505) 476-6059, should you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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