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May 9, 2008

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**RE: APPROVAL WITH DIRECTION
WORK PLAN PHASE 4 RCRA FACILITY INVESTIGATION
INACTIVE MCGREGOR RANGE OPEN DETONATION SITE
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT UNIT 20 (FTBL-015)
FORT BLISS, NEW MEXICO, EPA ID# NM4213720101-01
HWB-FB-06-007**

Dear Mr. Landreth:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has reviewed the Department of the Army's (Permittee) *Work Plan Phase 4 RCRA Facility Investigation for the Inactive McGregor Range Open Detonation Site* (Work Plan), dated March 2008. NMED hereby approves this Work Plan with the following additional direction.

COMMENT 1

The Permittee states in Section 3.7 that a Voluntary Corrective Action Report (VCAR) will be prepared to summarize the results of the housekeeping and investigation task described in the Work Plan. Voluntary Corrective Action documents are no longer accepted for review by NMED. The Permittee must submit a RCRA Facility Investigation (RFI) Report (20.4.2.7.W NMED) within 120 days of receipt of the analytical and geophysical data. Please refer to the

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Hazardous Waste Permit and Corrective Action Fees at
<http://www.nmcpr.state.nm.us/nmac/parts/title20/20.004.0002.htm>
for definitions of the type of documents accepted for review.

COMMENT 2

In addition to the soil sampling proposed in the Work Plan, the Permittee must collect at least two subsurface soil samples from beneath the major and minor detonation pit areas. These soil samples must be analyzed for the parameters listed in Section 3.5.

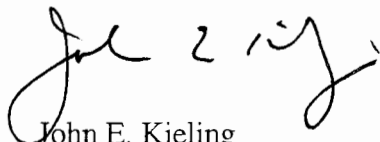
COMMENT 3

The Permittee did not identify locations for the proposed subsurface soil samples on a map. The Permittee must provide a map depicting where all soil samples were collected in the Report.

The Permittee must start investigation activities within 60 days of receipt of this approval. The Permittee must submit a RFI Report to NMED no later than January 2, 2009. The RFI Report must include all modifications outlined in this letter. The Permittee must also document any deviations from the approved Work Plan in the RFI Report.

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

Sincerely,



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