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CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

July 20, 2011

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Chief, Compliance Branch
Department of the Army
Headquarters, U.S. Army Garrison Command
1733 Pleasonton Road
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**RE: APPROVAL
FINAL COMPLETION REPORT, ENGINEERING CONTROLS AND
ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEM UPGRADES, MCGREGOR RANGE
CAMP, FORT BLISS, NEW MEXICO
EPA ID #NM4213720101
HWB-FB-10-007**

Dear Ms. Waggoner:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has reviewed the Department of Army's (Permittee) *Final Completion Report, Engineering Controls and Environmental System Upgrades, McGregor Range Camp, Fort Bliss, New Mexico* (Status Report).

In accordance with NMED's *Approval with Modifications for Final RCRA Facility Investigation Report, Inactive McGregor Range Open Detonation Area*, dated October 7, 2009, the Permittee has fulfilled its obligation to install institutional controls, including fencing and bilingual signage, to restrict access to the inactive open detonation area.

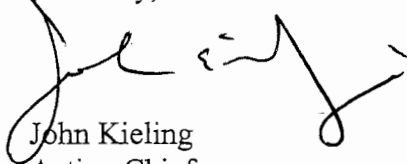
The Permittee has also fulfilled its obligation to conduct an inspection to find and remove exposed materials potentially posing an explosive hazard (MPPEH) that may be unearthed over time through natural weathering and erosion processes. The Permittee must continue biennial inspections to find and remove MPPEH at the Inactive McGregor Range Open Detonation Area (Solid Waste Management Unit 20) and submit a report documenting the results of the next

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scheduled inspection to NMED no later than **December 31, 2012**. The report must include a map depicting the area inspected, a summary of the results of the inspection and any repairs made to the fencing or signage, descriptions of any MPPEH removed, and the locations of any MPPEH removed during the inspection.

Please contact Dave Cobrain at (505) 476-6055 if you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,



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