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**CERTIFIED MAIL – RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

April 14, 2017

Sylvia Waggoner  
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US Army Fort Bliss Garrison  
DPW-Environmental Division  
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**RE: REVIEW  
BIANNUAL POST-CLOSURE SITE INSPECTION REPORT  
DOÑA ANA RANGE CAMP RUBBLE PIT LANDFILL  
SWMU 27/FTBL-012  
FORT BLISS, NEW MEXICO  
EPA ID #NM4213720101  
HWB-FB-16-005**

Dear Ms. Waggoner:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has reviewed the Department of Army (Permittee) *Biannual Post-Closure Site Inspections of the Doña Ana Range Camp Rubble Landfill, Solid Waste Management Unit (SWMU) 27/FTBL-012*, Fort Bliss, New Mexico (Report), dated December 15, 2016, and received December 19, 2016.

In accordance with NMED's *Approval of FTBL-12/SWMU-27 Doña Ana Rubble Pit Landfill, Fort Bliss, New Mexico* (October 30, 2007), the Permittee conducted biannual inspections of the site on June 1, 2016 and October 14, 2016. The Permittee reports that during the June 1, 2016 inspection, the landfill cover and side slopes showed no signs of erosion and the vegetative layer and warning signs were found to be in good condition. The Permittee noted that a section of the perimeter fence and the drainage system on the Southside of the site were damaged. Repairs were conducted on July 1, 2016.

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The second bi-annual inspection was conducted October 14, 2016, after the North American monsoon season which ranges from June to Mid-September. The Permittee noted that the landfill cover and side slopes showed no signs of erosion, and the water drainage system, vegetative layer, perimeter fence and warning signs were found to be in good condition.

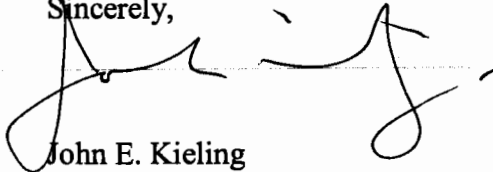
The Permittee conducted additional site inspections on August 19, 2016 and August 29, 2016 in response to rainfall events that exceeded one inch, as required for post-closure care. The Permittee reported that the landfill cover and side slopes showed no signs of erosion, and the water drainage system, vegetative layer, perimeter fence and warning signs were found to be in good condition.

The Permittee has fulfilled its obligation to conduct the biannual site inspections and submit an annual report to NMED. The Permittee must continue to conduct biannual inspections at SWMU-27, after snowmelt and at the end of the rainy season. The Permittee must continue to conduct biannual inspections at SWMU 27 and submit reports to NMED documenting the results of the inspections.

The inspection report for 2017 is due no later than **December 31, 2017**.

Please contact Aubrey Pierce at (505) 476-6058 if you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,



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