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March 30, 2023

Yvette Waychus US Army Fort Bliss Garrison DPW-Environmental Division Building 624, Pleasonton Road Fort Bliss, TX 79916

RE: WASTEWATER SAMPLING RESULTS REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 2022

SEMI-ANNUAL WASTEWATER COMPLIANCE SAMPLING FOR MEYER AND DOÑA

ANA – NEW MEXICO RANGE OUTFALLS AT FORT BLISS, TEXAS

EPA ID #NM4213720101

HWB-FB-23-001

Dear Ms. Waychus:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has reviewed the Department of the Army (Permittee) Wastewater Sampling Results Report for September 2022 and Semi-Annual Wastewater Compliance Sampling for Meyer and Doña Ana – New Mexico Range Outfalls at Fort Bliss, Texas (Report), dated October 7, 2022 and received on November 8, 2022.

The monitoring and associated reports are required by the January 2006 Settlement Agreement (2006 SA) between NMED and the United States Army, Fort Bliss Air Defense Artillery Center. The Permittee has fulfilled its obligation to conduct semi-annual sampling in September 2022 and submit sampling results and wastewater flow monitoring reports to NMED.

The wastewater volumes to the Doña Ana and Meyer Ponds measured between April 2022 and September 2022 were recorded as 438,600 and 46,800 gallons, respectively. These volumes are within the normal range. In addition, none of the constituent concentrations in the wastewater samples collected during this sampling period exceeded the applicable regulatory limits.

The Permittee must continue to implement monthly flowrate measurement and semiannual sampling at the Doña Ana and Meyer Ponds and submit the associated reports in accordance with the 2006 SA. The March 2023 reports must be submitted to NMED no later than **July 31**, **2023**.

As a reminder, the 2006 SA Section IV.G.3 requires collecting one groundwater sample from the regional aquifer beneath SWMU 27B and SWMU 76 every five years. Accordingly, the Permittee must conduct groundwater monitoring and sampling at wells DA-01 (Doña Ana Range Camp

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monitoring well) and MR-01 (Meyer Wastewater lagoon monitoring well) in 2023 and submit a technical memorandum that summarizes the monitoring and sampling results no later than **December 31, 2023**.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Michiya Suzuki at (505) 690-6930.

Sincerely,

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2023 Fort Bliss (SWMU 27B and 76), Semi-Annual Wastewater Outfall Monitoring