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ATTN: Mr. Howard E. Moffitt
Deputy Base Civil Engineer

Dear Mr. Moffitt:

Holloman Air Force Base has asked for a determination of the regulatory status of the Holloman sewage lagoons and lakes. This issue was also discussed in a conference call with personnel from Holloman, the US Army Corps of Engineers, and Radian on February 22, 1994. It was agreed that these units have lost interim status under RCRA.

We have discussed the matter of regulatory authority with the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). As a result of this discussion, it is agreed 1) that Lake Holloman, Lake Stinky, and the ditch to Lake Holloman are HSWA units and will remain under the authority of EPA, and 2) the seven sewage lagoons are RCRA regulated units and will be closed under the authority of the State of New Mexico in accordance with the New Mexico Hazardous Waste Management Regulations (HWMR-7), Part V, 40 CFR 264.

A copy of EPA's letter to this Department confirming this interpretation of regulatory status is enclosed for your files.

Please call Stephanie Kruse of my staff at 505/827-4308 if you have any questions or comments.

Sincerely,


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Enclosure

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