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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION: ADDITIONAL INVESTIGATION REQUIREMENTS WORK PLAN, ERP SITE SD-08 (SWMU 82 – BUILDING 131 WASHRACK), MAY 2005 HOLLOWAN AIR FORCE BASE EPA ID# NM6572124422 HWB-HAFB-05-003

Dear Ms. Hartell:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) Hazardous Waste Bureau (HWB) has reviewed the subject document for technical completeness. Based on that review, NMED has determined that this Work Plan can not be approved at this time as revisions to this Work Plan are necessary. Enclosed is a list of requested revisions, which Holloman Air Force Base (HAFB) must address. Please respond to this Request for Supplemental Information (RSI) within thirty (30) calendar days of the date of this letter. Failure to respond within this time period may result in the issuance of a Notice of Deficiency. NMED may consider a petition for an extension of the deadline for submittal of the additional information, provided that written justification and the expected submittal date are provided by HAFB.

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If you have any questions regarding this matter or if you would like to discuss the comments prior to your response, please contact David Strasser at (505) 222-9526.

Sincerely,



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**ATTACHMENT
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TASK # HWB-HAFB-05-003

The following are NMED's requested revisions to HAFB's Additional Investigation Work Plan for ERP Site SD-08 (SWMU 82), dated May 2005. The quotations in **bold print** are taken directly from the subject document. Please address the comments and submit the revised information as directed in the cover letter.

COMMENTS

1. Page 2-2, Section 2.1.4, "**Monitoring Well Installation**"

- a) NMED requests that during the installation of the new "downgradient well", two soil samples be collected and analyzed as specified in Section 2.1.3, DPT Soil Assessment. Soils at the "upgradient well" will not require analysis.
- b) In correspondence from the NMED dated February 9, 2005, which outlined the requirements for this additional investigation, the Work Plan was to include monitoring well construction details. These details were not included. NMED requests that HAFB submit information regarding well construction details.

2. Page 2-3, Section 2.3, "**Groundwater Sampling**", 1st Sentence

This sentence indicates that three existing wells will be sampled (MW08-03, MW08-05 and S10-MW01). NMED requests that HAFB collect a groundwater sample from well MW08-01 instead of from well MW08-03. NMED understands that well MW08-01 is cross gradient to the suspected source. However, MW08-01 has a history of VOC detections that should be monitored. In addition, the groundwater from well MW08-03 has been relatively uncontaminated and the proposed "upgradient well" is in close proximity to well MW08-03.

3. Page 3-1, Section 3.2, "**Evaluation of Groundwater Contamination**", 2nd Sentence

NMED requests that HAFB revise this sentence to read as follows (additions underlined; deletions struck through): "If ~~more than one~~ or more water contaminants affecting human health ~~is~~ are present, the toxic pollutant criteria as set forth in the definition of toxic pollutant in Section ~~20.6.2.1101~~ 20.6.2.7.VV NMAC ...".