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CERTIFIED MAIL – RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

March 1, 2007

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**RE: NOVEMBER 14, 2006 RESPONSE TO NMED COMMENTS ON THE FINAL
2005 LONG TERM GROUNDWATER MONITORING REPORT, MAY 2006
HOLLOMAN AIR FORCE BASE EPA ID# NM6572124422
HAFB-06-003**

Dear Ms. Hartell:

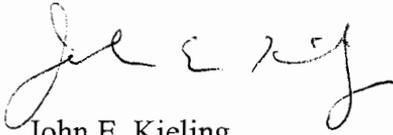
The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has reviewed Holloman AFB's (HAFB's) November 14, 2006 response to NMED's October 4, 2006 comments on the 2005 Long Term Monitoring Report (Report), dated May 2006. The remaining NMED comments that were required to be addressed in HAFB's response were Comment 4, regarding site OT-16, and Comment 11, regarding site SS-48. The response to comment number 11 is acceptable, as provided in the response.

The NMED is approving the Report with the following condition. HAFB's response to Comment 4 proposed ground water sampling and analysis for only gamma-BHC (Lindane) and Total Dissolved Solids (TDS) from all on-site monitoring wells for eight consecutive quarters. Because of past detections of other pesticides in the ground water at this site, the NMED requires that the ground water also be sampled and analyzed for alpha-BHC and dieldrin from all on-site monitoring wells for eight consecutive quarters.

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If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Mr. David Strasser at (505) 222-9526.

Sincerely,



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