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CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

February 20, 2008

Ms. Deborah Hartell
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SUBJECT: 90-DAY EXTENSION OF DEADLINE FOR RESPONSE TO THE NOTICE OF DEFICIENCY ON THE OPEN DETONATION UNIT PERMIT RENEWAL APPLICATION HOLLOWAN AIR FORCE BASE, EPA ID NO. NM6572124422 HAFB-06-004

Dear Ms. Hartell:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has reviewed Holloman Air Force Base's (HAFB's; the Facility) February 15, 2008 request for extension of the deadline for submittal of the response to the notice of deficiency (NOD) on the 20,000 lb Open Detonation Treatment Unit (OD Unit) Permit renewal application.

HAFB requests the extension because the Facility asserts it needs more time than was given by NMED. The rationale given for request for the extension is to enable the senior NCO in charge of the operation of the OD Unit, and who just returned from a long deployment in Iraq, to review the entire NOD and HAFB's draft responses to the NMED's July 18, 2007 comments on the Permit renewal application.

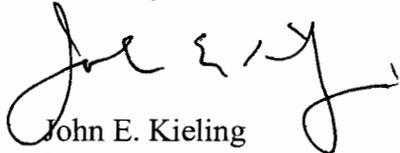
NMED hereby grants the extension for submittal of the responses to the NOD. Holloman Air Force Base shall therefore submit the required responses to the Permit renewal application to

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NMED not later than May 20, 2008. Please provide the required information in two hard copies and on two CDs compatible with Microsoft Word.

If you have any questions on this matter please call Cornelius Amindyas at (505) 222-9543.

Sincerely,



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