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**CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

August 25, 2008

Mr. David Scruggs, Chief  
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**SUBJECT: NOTICE OF DISAPPROVAL: RESPONSE TO THE NOTICE OF  
DISAPPROVAL FOR THE ACCELERATED CLOSURE MEASURES  
WORK PLAN AT SITE SS-13, JULY 2007  
HOLLOMAN AIR FORCE BASE, NM, EPA ID# NM6572124422  
HWB-HAFB-07-009**

Dear Mr. Scruggs:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has reviewed Holloman Air Force Base's (the Permittee's) March 13, 2008 response to NMED's January 11, 2008 Notice of Disapproval for the Accelerated Corrective Measures Work Plan for the performance of additional site characterization activities and voluntary corrective measures at Site SS-13 (AOC-J). NMED has determined that the response is inadequate. The following are the deficiencies the Permittee is required to address before the NMED can approve the Work Plan:

**GENERAL COMMENT**

1. Soil remediation sampling can not commence until after the forthcoming Basewide Background Study is completed and approved. Soil sampling results will need to be compared to the approved background levels. The Permittee is required to comply with this requirement.

**SPECIFIC COMMENTS**

**2. Table of Contents**

The Table of Contents must be revised to add "Section 3.3.2, Monitoring Well Construction and Development".

**3. Figures 1-2, 3-1 and 3-2**

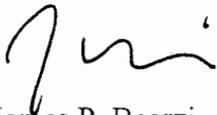
Figures 1-2, 3-1 and 3-2 must be revised to show the coordinate tics along the N/S and E/W boundaries as well as the corresponding X/Y coordinate numbering.

**4. Page 7, Section 3.1, 3<sup>rd</sup> Paragraph, 3<sup>rd</sup> Sentence**

This sentence states that soil samples for field screening will be warmed to approximately 40 degrees Fahrenheit. This sentence must be revised to state that soil samples will be warmed to 60-80 degrees Fahrenheit prior to screening.

Please submit the revisions required in this Notice of Disapproval within thirty (30) calendar days of receipt of this notice. 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 of my staff at (505) 222-9526.

Sincerely,



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