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CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

March 26, 2012

A. David Budak
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**RE: FEBRUARY 13, 2012 RESPONSE TO THE JANUARY 12, 2012 NOTICE OF DISAPPROVAL FOR CLASS 3 PERMIT MODIFICATION REQUEST AND FACT SHEET/STATEMENT OF BASIS FOR APPROVAL OF NO FURTHER ACTION FOR TEN SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT UNITS AND AREAS OF CONCERN, JULY 2008
HOLLOMAN AIR FORCE BASE, EPA ID# NM6572124422
HWB-HAFB-07-006**

Dear Mr. Budak:

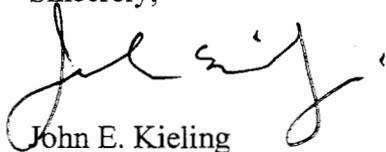
The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has reviewed Holloman Air Force Base's (the Permittee's) February 13, 2012 response to NMED's January 12, 2012 Notice of Disapproval (NOD) for the Class 3 Permit Modification Request (PMR) for Ten Solid Waste Management Units/Areas of Concern (SWMUs/AOCs) that was submitted July 7, 2008. NMED has determined that the response satisfies the requirements of the NOD, and thus, the request for a Class 3 Permit Modification is now deemed complete.

NMED will prepare a public notice regarding the Class 3 PMR which will be made available for public comment. NMED will also provide a copy of the public notice to the Permittee as well as copies of any comments received and will advise the Permittee if a public hearing is scheduled. The Permittee is also advised that the public participation procedures for the subject PMR will be combined with that for the Class 3 PMR for seven SWMUs/AOCs received by the NMED in November 2011. Consequently, the final decision on whether to grant the two PMRs in full or part will be made at the same time.

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

Sincerely,



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