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**CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

September 18, 2013

Ms. DeAnna Rothhaupt  
Chief, Compliance and Restoration  
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**RE: NOTIFICATION OF DISCOVERY OF FIVE SUSPECTED AREAS OF CONCERN  
HOLLOMAN AIR FORCE BASE  
EPA ID # NM6572124422  
HWB-HAFB-MISC**

Dear Ms. Rothhaupt:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has received Holloman Air Force Base's (the Permittee's) two notifications of discovery of a total of five suspected areas of concern (AOCs). The first notice, received on August 8, 2013, identified the following two suspected sites: the **Building 301 Concrete UST** and the **Remotely Piloted Aircraft FSST Wash Rack**. Petroleum contaminated soil was discovered at both of these sites during construction activities. The second notice, received on August 19, 2013, identified the following three suspected sites: the **Former Skeet Range (TS851)**, the **Former Skeet Range 2 (TS859)** and the **Jeep Target Area Skeet Range (TS862)**. Lead and polyaromatic hydrocarbon (PAH) contamination was detected at concentrations greater than human-health screening levels in surface soils at these three sites during Military Munitions Response Program investigation activities.

In accordance with the Hazardous Waste Facility Permit at Part 4, Section IV.B.3, the Permittee is required to submit a Solid Waste Management Unit (SWMU) Assessment Report (SAR) within ninety (90) calendar days of the notification. At a minimum, a separate SAR must be completed for each site that shall provide the following information:

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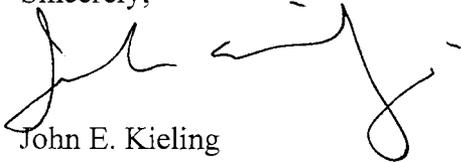
- Location of the unit on a topographic map of appropriate scale such as required under 20.4.1.900 NMAC, incorporating 40 CFR §270.14(b)(19),
- Designation of type and function of the unit,
- General dimensions and structural description of the unit (supply any available plans/drawings),
- Dates that the unit was operated,
- Identification of all wastes that have been managed at the unit to the extent available, including any available data on hazardous constituents in the wastes, and
- All available information pertaining to any release of hazardous waste or hazardous constituents from such unit (to include groundwater data and soil analyses).

Based on the results of each SAR, the NMED will determine the need for further corrective action. If the NMED determines that an investigation is needed for a particular SWMU/AOC, the Permittee shall be required to prepare a work plan or other appropriate corrective action submittal for the investigation as outlined in Permit Part 4, Section IV.E.1.b, or IV.D.2.

The Permittee must address the concerns noted above in writing by no later than **November 29, 2013**. All submittals (including figures and tables) must be in the form of two paper copies and one electronic copy (in MS Word/EXCEL™ format).

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

Sincerely,



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