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October 21, 2015

Ms. DeAnna Rothhaupt  
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**RE: APPROVAL**  
**AMENDED VOLUNTARY CORRECTIVE MEASURES WORK PLAN,**  
**GROUP 1 SEPTIC SYSTEM SITES, AUGUST 2015**  
**HOLLOMAN AIR FORCE BASE, EPA ID # NM6572124422**  
**HWB-HAFB-14-003**

Dear Ms. Rothhaupt:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has reviewed the Holloman Air Force Base (Permittee) Amended Voluntary Corrective Measures Work Plan (Amended WP) for selected Group 1 septic system sites. This Amended WP was submitted on August 28, 2015 in response to NMED's May 29, 2015 Notice of Disapproval (NOD) for the RCRA Facility Investigation Report for the Group 1 septic sites dated December 2013. The Amended WP is hereby approved, with the following comment.

In a NOD dated March 25, 2013 for the Voluntary Corrective Measures Request [Work Plan] for Septic System Sites (VCM WP) dated January 2012, the NMED advised the Permittee that the VCM WP specified only 17 sites out of 32 potential sites that would be subject to the proposed investigation activities. These included the nine Category 1 systems (building numbers 308, 1190, 1194, 1199, 1200, 1201, 1221, 1251 and 1269) and eight of the Category 2 systems (building numbers 920, 921, 922, 924, 1166, 1175, 1176 and 1196). Since that time, the investigation for the Building 1194 site has been placed under a separate contract and the Building 1269 site has been removed from the list because there has been no evidence discovered that this septic system ever existed.

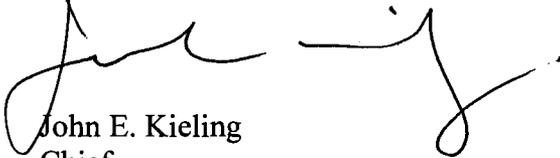
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Furthermore, the VCM WP did not address the 17 remaining Category 2 systems. These systems are either removed or inactive. The removed systems not yet addressed include building numbers 638, 642, 1142, 1155, 1168 and 1173. The inactive systems include building numbers 639, 640, 700, 702, 1158, 1174, 1178, 1179, 1180, 1183 and 1284.

The Permittee must provide an explanation as to why the remaining 17 Category 2 systems were not included in the VCM WP and how they will be addressed. Please provide this explanation in a written response by no later than **November 20, 2015**.

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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