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June 3, 2016

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**RE: HOLLOWAN AIR FORCE BASE MAY 25, 2016 RESPONSE
NEW MEXICO ENVIRONMENT DEPARTMENT APPROVAL OF
FINAL RCRA FACILITY INVESTIGATION REPORT GROUP 3 – BUILDING
1097 (TU/US-C505), SEPTEMBER 2013
HOLLOWAN AIR FORCE BASE, EPA ID# NM6572124422
HAFB-13-015**

Dear Ms. Rothhaupt:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) reviewed the Holloman Air Force Base (Permittee) report: *Final RCRA Facility Investigation Report Group 3 – Building 1097 (TU/US-C505), Holloman Air Force Base, New Mexico*, dated September 2013. The report was approved by NMED on May 29, 2015.

The Permittee requested a determination of Corrective Action Complete (CAC) for Building 1097 (TU/US-C505), which was denied at that time. Instead, NMED required the Permittee to collect and analyze two groundwater samples from an onsite monitoring well in order to confirm that there are no impacts on groundwater from site contamination.

A monitoring well located at the site, installed to a depth of 25 feet below the ground surface (bgs), did not contain sufficient groundwater for sample collection. Groundwater also was not observed in additional soil borings advanced to depths of 30 feet bgs. Two additional attempts were made in November 2015 and April 2016 to sample the well. Ground water was not present on either occasion. Constituents of concern were not detected in any soil sample collected from the site at concentrations greater than applicable soil screening levels. Therefore, no further

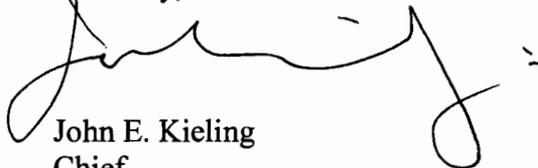
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investigation is required at this site.

The Permittee may request a Class 3 permit modification for Corrective Action Complete without Controls for Building 1097 (TU/US-C505) in accordance with 40 C.F.R. §270.42(c). The Class 3 permit modification process includes requirements for public notice and for providing opportunity for public comment that are mandatory. NMED's preliminary determination that corrective action is complete is subject to NMED's reservation of rights for new information or unknown conditions. As part of the permit modification process, new information may become available during the public comment period that a given site is not protective of human health or the environment. NMED reserves all rights to withdraw its preliminary decision that corrective action is complete, if new information indicates that further corrective action is needed to protect human health or the environment.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Mr. Brian Salem of my staff at (505) 222-9576.

Sincerely,



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