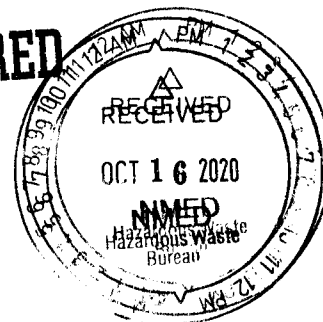




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**SUBJECT: Request for Extension - Amended Corrective Action Permit Application (i.e., Revised Closure and Post Closure Care Plans) 20,000-Pound Open Detonation Unit (OD20K)/Solid Waste Management Unit 168 Holloman Air Force Base, NM**

Dear Mr. Pierard,

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) requested in their 28 August 2020 approval letter for the *Final Interim Measures Report – Revision 1, OD20K 20,000-Pound Open Detonation Unit, Solid Waste Management Unit 168, April 2020* (Report), a submission of the revised Post Closure Care Plan for groundwater at OD20K to amend the corrective action permit application no later than November 1, 2020. The Post Closure Care Plan for OD20K will include the annual groundwater sampling for analyses of perchlorate, nitrate, and total dissolved solids and annual groundwater monitoring reports for the next 30 years. In addition, Holloman Air Force Base will revise the Closure Plan to include discussion of the completed NMED-approved removal action of perchlorate-contaminated soil.

Prior to revising the Post Closure Care Plan, additional groundwater monitoring wells need to be installed at OD20K to delineate the perchlorate plume in the southwest direction (the extent of the plume has been defined in all other directions). At this point, Holloman Air Force Base does not have information when the NMED review of the Supplemental Interim Measures Work Plan for delineating the perchlorate plume, submitted as Appendix G of the Final Interim Measures Report, will be completed. The Permittee requests respectfully that the NMED provides the following information so that the corrective action permit application can be amended in a timely manner:

- (1) The approximate date for completion of the NMED review of the Supplemental Interim Measures Work Plan for groundwater, and, if needed based on that estimate, the extension for submission of the revised Closure and Post-Closure Care Plans.
- (2) The NMED review time of the revised Closure and Post-Closure Care Plans.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (575) 572-6675.

Sincerely,

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