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Mr William K. Honker, P.E.
Chief, RCRA Permits Branch
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Dear Mr Honker

We have discovered evidence of hazardous waste contamination at the following five sites at Kirtland AFB:

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- a. A concrete berm used at the Phillips Laboratory's Horizontal Dipole (HPD) Facility to collect drippage from petroleum products.
- b. The Corps of Engineers' Vehicle Maintenance Facility (Bldg 20212).
- c. A leaking hydraulic lift at the West AAFES Station (Bldg 471).
- d. An abandoned French drain in Bldg 617.
- e. Contamination in a Civil Engineering contractor yard near Bldg 20423.

None of the contamination at these sites can be traced to any recent activities at Kirtland AFB. In the past, you have indicated that similar sites should be investigated as solid waste management units (SWMUs). Should you concur in these sites being investigated as SWMUs, we will submit a Class I permit modification of the HSWA portion of our Part B RCRA Permit. We believe that Appendix III is the portion of of our SWMUs where these sites most logically fall for investigation.

Please let us know if you concur with our interpretation on investigating these sites. Refer questions to Mr Harry Davidson at (505) 846-2773. If you wish the sites to be addressed as ongoing spills we will contact the New Mexico Environment Department though we have no evidence to support this interpretation.

Sincerely

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