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**RE: Request for a Public Hearing on the Kirtland Air Force Base  
Open Detonation Draft Permit**

Dear Mr. Blejwas:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) received your request for a public hearing on the Open Detonation draft Permit proposed for the U.S. Department of Defense/Kirtland Air Force Base (DOD/KAFB). Your request was received on June 3, 1994, during the public comment period.

In response to your request for a public hearing, NMED has scheduled a meeting with you and DOD/KAFB to be held at 1:00 pm on Thursday June 30, 1994. The location of the meeting is the conference room of the Hazardous and Radioactive Materials Bureau, 525 Marquez Place, Santa Fe, New Mexico. The purpose of the meeting is to give KAFB and NMED the opportunity to fully respond to the concerns you may have. This is in accordance with New Mexico Hazardous Waste Management Regulations (HWMR-7), Part IX, Section 902.A.4., which state that the NMED, acting in conjunction with the applicant, will respond to the request in an attempt to resolve the issues regarding the proposed draft Permit.

If you have any questions regarding this process, you may contact Cornelius Amindyas of my staff at (505) 827-4308.

Sincerely,

Barbara Hoditschek, Manager  
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cc: Benito Garcia, Bureau Chief, HRMB  
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