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Dear Ms. Morlock

The Restoration Branch (377 ABW/EMR) has identified an area that has the potential to be a Solid Waste Management Unit (SWMU), an area containing two or more waste pits near Building #57001.


The waste pits were discovered by members of our Compliance Branch (377 ABW/EMC) while conducting a review of plot plans in our drafting division. Two waste pits were identified on a plot plan associated with the New Mexico Engineering Research Institute (NMERI) facility located in the south end of KAFB. Personnel of the EMR Branch have subsequently visited the site and observed the two sites represented on the plot plan. The pits are earthen and appear to have been built by pushing up the sides with heavy equipment. Both are inactive and appeared to be dry. Additionally, the EMR staff observed two surface disturbances which may have also served as pits. These did not appear on the plot plan but they too were earthen depressions, inactive and dry.

This serves as initial notification of the existence of these previously unknown waste pits. Within 90 days of this notification, a SWMU Assessment Report will be provided to the EPA as required by the conditions of the Kirtland AFB RCRA Part B permit.



If you have any questions on this matter, please contact Mr. Jerry Sillerud at (505) 846-2773.

Sincerely,


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cc:
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