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Mr. Benito Garcia, Chief
Hazardous and Radioactive Bureau
New Mexico Environment Department
P.O. Box 26110
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RE: RCRA Facility Investigation (RFI) Appendix II Report,
Kirtland Air Force Base, NMD9570024423

Dear Mr. Garcia:

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has completed a technical review of Kirtland's Notice of Deficiency (NOD) response for the RFI Appendix II Report received December 18, 1995, and recommends that Kirtland submit additional information before the Report can be approved. Enclosed are the comments requesting the additional information.

If you have any further questions, please contact Mr. Rich Mayer at (214) 665-7442.

Sincerely yours,

David Neleigh
David Neleigh, Section Chief
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Enclosure

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**Kirtland Air Force Base, NOD Response to the
Appendix II RFI Report, Additional Information Needed**

1. **Page 1; General Response 2:** EPA disagrees with the response. While it may be true that the City of Albuquerque governs the sampling requirements of the effluent going from the Oil/Water Separator (OW/S) into the sewer, NMED is responsible for all other releases (soil, groundwater, etc.) per the HSWA permit. With regard to the removal of the OW/Ss, NMED has the authority, not the City of Albuquerque.

EPA will require Kirtland to include the OW/S monitoring requirements in the revised RFI report. With regard to the OW/S removals, Kirtland can submit the OW/S verification information in a separate report.

2. **Page 2; Response 2:** Same as comment no. 1.
3. **Page 2; Response 3:** Same as comment no. 1.