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Lt. Col. James R. Fraser, Director Environmental Management Division 377 ABW/EM 2000 Wyoming Blvd SE Kirtland AFB NM 87117-5659

RE: Solid Waste Management Unit (SWMU) Assessment Reports (SAR) for Water Tanks, Railroad Tracks, Auto Hobby Shop, and Fuel Cell

Dear Col. Fraser:

Your letter dated February 7, 1997 requests extensions for the submittal of SARs. In fact, this would be the second extension request for the water towers and the railroad tracks and the initial extension for the auto hobby shop and fuel cell. Your letter explained the request by stating that the investigative work is currently in progress and that there had been a delay in procuring funding for the projects.

Pursuant to the New Mexico Hazardous Waste Act (20 NMAC 4.1.) and the Hazardous and Solid Waste Act (HSWA) Module of Kirtland Air Force Base's Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Permit, SAR's are to be submitted to the Administrative Authority (AA) no later than ninety (90) calendar days from the notification to the AA of the SWMU's existence. (Subsection F.2.)

Mr. Chris DeWitt of your office, in a telephone conversation on this date, offered further justification for the extension request by explained that the SARs would characterize the sites to a greater degree than that called for in the HSWA module.

For the reasons offered above and because the Hazardous and Radioactive Materials Bureau (HRMB) does not believe there are any imminent threats to human health or the environment at the above referenced sites, the HRMB grants your request and will expect the appropriate SARs on or before June 30, 1997.

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If you have any questions please contact Steve Pullen of my staff.

Sincerely,

Robert S. (Stu) Dinwiddie, Manager RCRA Permit Management Section, HRMB

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