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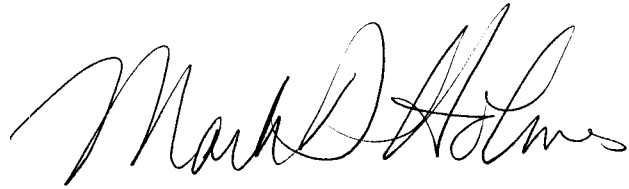
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SUBJECT: Newly Identified Area of Concern (AOC) ST-106, KAFB Fuels Management
Facility Offloading Rack

1. We notified you by letter dated 19 November 1999 of the above referenced new site for inclusion in our Environmental Compliance Program. Subsequent to that notification, we have had discussions between KAFB, NMED-HRMB-KAFB (Mr. W. Moats and Mr. R. Rocha), and NMED-GWQB (Ms. J. Parker and Mr. J. Mullany), which resulted in a determination that NMED-Groundwater Quality Bureau should be the lead agency overseeing the investigation and remediation of the site spill and line failure. This determination was based on the principle that the issue is one of a product release rather than an issue of hazardous waste. Accordingly, I request KAFB's proposal to add AOC ST-106, KAFB Fuels Management Facility Offloading Rack, to our Environmental Compliance Program (ECP), be rescinded. We will continue to keep NMED-HRMB staff members, Mr. Will Moats and Mr. Roland Rocha, apprised of our remediation efforts and will provide HRMB with copies of our report on the investigation results.

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2. Please contact Mr. Jerry Sillerud at 846-9004 or me at 846-9005 if you have any questions on this matter.



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cc:

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