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**CERTIFIED MAIL – RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

March 11, 2008

Mr. John Pike  
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**RE: 2006 RESOURCE CONSERVATION AND RECOVERY ACT FACILITY  
INVESTIGATION COMPREHENSIVE REPORT FOR SWMU WP-026,  
SEWAGE LAGOONS AND GOLF COURSE MAIN POND, AUGUST 2007  
KIRTLAND AIR FORCE BASE, EPA ID# NM9570024423  
HWB-KAFB-07-015**

Dear Mr. Lanz:

New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) personnel have reviewed the subject document. Kirtland Air Force Base personnel requested that NMED not review Section 2.4, Site Assessments, until KAFB completed additional sampling and at the Sewage Lagoons so that KAFB could speciate chromium analytical results in order to refine the risk assessment for the site. Therefore, NMED personnel will review the supplemental risk assessment before determining whether or not the subject report is acceptable.

However, NMED personnel agree with the following KAFB recommendations found in the subject document.

- Additional soil vapor sampling is needed,
- Additional monitoring wells are needed,
- The lagoon sludges should be removed,

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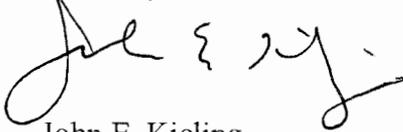
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- The soil berms are suitable for backfilling the lagoon,
- Soil vapor extraction should be evaluated as a possible corrective measure.

If the subject report is deemed acceptable upon review of the supplemental risk assessment, KAFB will be required to conduct a Corrective Measures Study or submit an Interim Corrective Measure proposal implementing the recommendations above for NMED approval.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact William McDonald of my staff at (505) 222-9582.

Sincerely,



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