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CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

December 16, 2014

Colonel Tom D. Miller
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**RE: EXTENSION APPROVAL
INTERIM GROUNDWATER LNAPL REMEDIATION,
BULK FUELS FACILITY SPILL
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT UNITS ST-106 AND SS-111
KIRTLAND AIR FORCE BASE
EPA ID# NM9570024423, HWB-KAFB-14-MISC**

Dear Colonel Miller and Mr. Pike:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has evaluated your October 6, 2014 request for an extension on submission of a work plan for an air-sparge pilot test that would be installed within the area where light non-aqueous phase liquid (LNAPL) is submerged in groundwater. This interim measure would test the feasibility of utilizing sparge-and-vent technology to remediate LNAPL that has been smeared and trapped in the aquifer by a rising water table.

The Permittee has explained in the extension request that analytical data from the soil vapor extraction (SVE) expansion cores are important for selecting the location for the air sparge pilot test, and for selecting and designing an appropriate system based on site-specific conditions. NMED is in agreement that the core data is important information to make an informed decision on air sparging. NMED also believes that the SVE pilot test data also should be obtained before designing an air sparging pilot test.

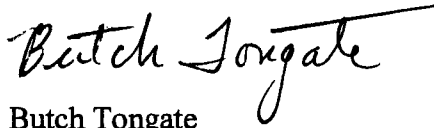
For good cause shown, the deadline for the Permittee to submit a work plan for the LNAPL air sparging pilot test is hereby extended until 90 days after completion of the SVE pilot testing.

NMED technical staff will assist you and your contractor in any way possible to achieve this interim measure.



If you have any questions, please contact me at 505-827-2855.

Sincerely,

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Butch Tongate
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