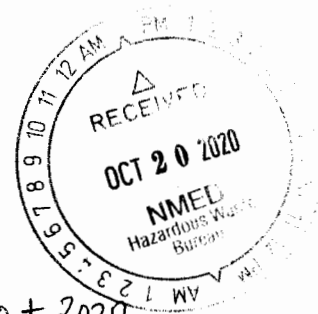




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Dear Mr. Pierard

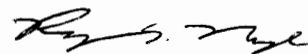
In the letter dated April 06, 2020, the New Mexico Environmental Department (NMED) approved the fifteen day notification of a newly discovered Solid Waste Management Unit or Area of Concern notification. The notification indicated that soil vapor containing chlorinated solvent concentrations above applicable screening levels are present in the vadose zone near the New Mexico Air National Guard (NMANG) building. Contained within the letter dated April 06, 2020, NMED required the submittal of a Work Plan to investigate chlorinated solvents in the vicinity of the NMANG facilities. NMED established a regulatory due date of October 30, 2020 to submit an investigation Work Plan.

In order to produce a Work Plan that will adequately characterize the nature and extent of chlorinated solvents within the vadose zone, the Air Force first had to coordinate with the NMANG to formally establish an Area of Concern (AOC). Due to the additional coordination with the NMANG and the current operating constraints related to funding and acquisition created by COVID-19 conditions, the Air Force has experienced delays in securing funding.

The site has been formally established with an AOC name of SS-400, and the acquisition process is moving forward. The Air Force is respectfully requesting a 180-day extension to develop an investigation Work Plan. This request would extend the regulatory due date to April 28, 2021, affording the Air Force the required time to obtain funds and draft an investigation Work Plan.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mr. Scott Clark at (505) 846-9017 or via email [scott.clark@us.af.mil](mailto:scott.clark@us.af.mil) or Mr. Ryan Wortman at (505) 853-3484, or via email at [ryan.wortman.3@us.af.mil](mailto:ryan.wortman.3@us.af.mil).

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