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**RE: APPROVAL
SECOND EXTENSION REQUEST – CLOSURE REPORT FOR THE OPEN DETONATION
TREATMENT UNIT
KIRTLAND AIR FORCE BASE, NEW MEXICO
EPA ID# NM9570024423
HWB-KAFB-19-004**

Dear Colonel Vattioni and Ms. Clark,

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has received the U.S. Air Force (Permittee) Kirtland Air Force Base (Facility) second *Extension Request – Closure Report for the Open Detonation Treatment Unit* (Request), dated April 30, 2021. The Request states that the development of Tier 1 SLERA is anticipated to be completed later this year. As the SLERA is part of the ecological risk assessment, the Closure Report cannot be submitted by the September 30, 2021 deadline.

NMED hereby grants the Permittee's request for a time extension; the Permittee must submit the Closure Report no later than **March 31, 2022**, as requested. The extension will further delay the renewal of the Kirtland Air Force Base Hazardous Waste Permit unless a post closure care plan is prepared for the Open Burn-Open Detonation Unit.

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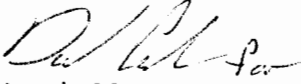
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If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Naomi Davidson at (505) 690-7567.

Sincerely,



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