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Mr. Kevin Pierard and Mr. Dave Cobrain
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Dear Mr. Pierard

In the letter dated April 06, 2020, the New Mexico Environmental Department (NMED) required the submittal of a Work Plan to investigate chlorinated solvents detected above applicable screening levels in the vicinity of the New Mexico Air National Guard (NMANG) facilities. NMED established a regulatory due date of October 30, 2020 to submit an investigation Work Plan. The Air Force letter dated October 13, 2020 requested an extension from October 30, 2020 to April 28, 2021.

The Air Force has experienced delays in the development of the investigation Work Plan, initially based on the additional coordination with the Air National Guard that was required due to the location of this site on NMANG facilities within the Kirtland AFB boundary. This additional coordination caused delays in the funding process and this requirement subsequently fell between funding cycles. This was further delayed due to operating constraints related to the acquisition process under COVID-19 conditions; however, the Air Force has currently received approval for funding for this Area of Concern and is posturing for award. The acquisition process is moving forward with an anticipated award in August 2021, and the site has been formally established with an Area of Concern name of SS-400.

The Air Force is respectfully requesting an additional extension request to develop and submit an investigation Work Plan based on funding realities. This request would extend the regulatory due date to January 31, 2022, affording the Air Force the required time finish the acquisition process 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 or Mr. Ryan Wortman at (505) 853-3484, or via email at ryan.wortman.3@us.af.mil.

Sincerely

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