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Soil Vapor Sampling
and LNAPL

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FYI. We could all see this coming. Move forward with the briefing papers but the timeline has changed. The papers will still summarize the topic, background and positions, and recommendation but it needs to be done by COB Thursday for presentation to the Secretary. I understand that this is very quick but do the best you can. The papers will include as an attachment the LNAPL and vapor comments we provided along with the EPA comments. Please also, in very summary fashion, provide a timeline on vapor as a quick reference guide. I want to be able to point to the fact that we told them to do it on x date they asked for multiple extensions on x date and today we are back at square one. They are responsible for this delay. I would like the same for LNAPL but of course this impacts a number of NODs (I believe) so it is a bit more complicated. The only point of this effort is to document that the delay was substantial and it was their fault. Again do the best you can on this in the time allowed.

I have given Stephanie my thoughts on this. Essentially they must now do what they were told or face enforcement. Those are the only two options that they have. She wants to brief the Secretary. My thought is that this may be the turning point in this effort, which I hope it is, so we can get this thing going in the right direction again. I told her we would continue to be available to discuss workplans and reports with KAFB and that use of the "traditional" approach does not have to mean lengthy delays but it requires the AF to deal with their contracting issues and work harder and faster to address our remaining concerns.

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Good Afternoon:

As agreed in our 15 January meeting, if the technical negotiations hit an impasse the issues would be elevated to Sec Kenney and Mr. Correll. Based upon NMED's recent responses on the LNAPL and shallow soil vapor friction points the Air Force believes it is time to elevate these issues. Mr. Correll will be contacting Sec Kenney in the near future. Mr. Stapleton will cancel tomorrow's meeting.

Regards,

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