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**CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

March 8, 2016

Colonel Douglas W. Gilpin  
Commander, 27th Special Operations  
Mission Support Group  
110 E. Alison Avenue, Suite 1098  
Cannon Air Force Base

**RE: APPROVAL  
EXTENSION REQUEST  
2015 ANNUAL GROUNDWATER MONITORING REPORT  
MELROSE AIR FORCE RANGE, NEW MEXICO  
CURRY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO  
EPA ID# NM5572124456-1  
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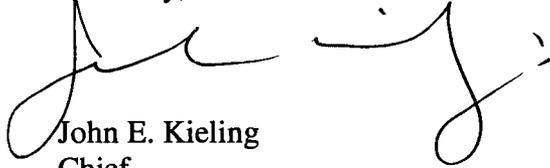
Dear Colonel Gilpin:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has received the Cannon Air Force Base (CAFB) Request (Request) for a time extension to submit the *2015 Annual Groundwater Monitoring Report for Melrose Air Force Range (MAFR)*, (Report). The requested time extension is necessary to allow CAFB additional time for report review during a transition period related to a change in the environmental consulting firm contracted to conduct the groundwater monitoring program at MAFR. NMED approves the Request for an extension for the submittal of the Report from the original due date of February 27, 2016 to **March 30, 2016**.

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If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Gabriel Acevedo at (505) 476-6043.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John E. Kieling". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and a long horizontal stroke.

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