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December 5, 2007

T.A. Ladd
U.S. Army Garrison White Sands
100 Headquarters Avenue (B. 1510)
ATTN: IMSW-WSM-PW
White Sands Missile Range, NM 88002

**RE: RESPONSE LETTER
2007 GROUND WATER MONITORING AT
LAUNCH COMPLEX 38 DIESEL SPILL
WHITE SANDS MISSILE RANGE EPA ID NO. NM2750211235
WSMR-07-004**

Dear Mr. Ladd:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) reviewed White Sands Missile Range's (Permittee) *2007 Ground Water Monitoring at Launch Complex 38 Diesel Spill (SWMU 198)*, dated August 2007. NMED has several comments regarding the ground water monitoring at the site.

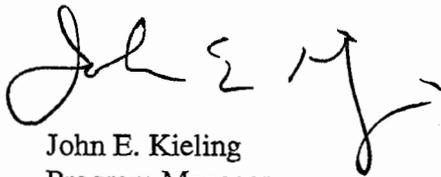
1. Because chromium was detected in the ground water at Launch Complex 38 (LC-38) at concentrations above the New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission (WQCC) standard, the Permittee must continued to collect and analyze ground water samples from all monitoring wells for chromium on an annual basis.
2. The Permittee must always include the laboratory data packages with the reports. Submitting these on a CD is acceptable.

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3. The Permittee must collect and analyze ground water samples annually for Diesel Range Organics (DRO).
4. The Permittee must submit a report to NMED annually, within 90 days of receipt of the final laboratory report, summarizing the results of the sampling event.

If you have any questions please call Cheryl Frischkorn of my staff at 505-476-6058.

Sincerely,



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