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Environmental Division

SUBJECT: White Sands Missile Range Transformer Fluid Sill at 21695, NMED Spill Report Incident Number ENTS-15691.

Dave Cobrain
New Mexico Environment Department
Hazardous Waste Bureau
2905 Rodeo Park Drive East Bldg 1
Santa Fe, NM 87505-6313

Dear Mr. Cobrain,

On January 3rd 2022 a spill was identified at the White Sands Missile Range (WSMR) MLRS facility building number 21695. On the evening of December 31st 2021 a weather event had compromised a transformer pole which caused a set of transformers to collapse and catch fire. WSMR fire department extinguished the fire promptly. Approximately 120 gallons of transformer fluid spread across an area of 70ft x 30ft. An analysis is to be conducted on the transformer fluid to determine content of Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs), if any. The spill location is 5 to 10 miles East from main post at GPS point 32.37239, -106.41339. Incident Report 15691 was submitted thru the New Mexico Environment Department's website. There were no injuries. The area in which the spill occurred is remote and therefore the potential hazard to the environment and human health are minimal. Action to dig up the contamination is underway with roll-offs being ordered to site.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at (575) 678-2415.

Sincerely,

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