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CERTIFIED MAIL – RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

June 17, 2011

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**RE: APPROVAL OF EXTENSION REQUEST
REVISED LNAPL CONTAINMENT INTERIM MEASURES WORK PLAN
KIRTLAND AIR FORCE BASE, EPA ID# NM9570024423
HWB-KAFB-10-037**

Dear Col. Maness and Mr. Pike:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has received the U.S. Air Force's (Permittee) time-extension request dated June 13, 2011, regarding the due date for submittal of the revised LNAPL Containment Interim Measures Work Plan (revised Plan) for the Kirtland Air Force Base (KAFB) Bulk Fuels Facility Spill. The revised Plan was to be submitted no later than June 15, 2011 in NMED's letter of March 31, 2011. Pursuant to Part 1, Section 1.38 of the Permittee's Hazardous Waste Facility Operating Permit (Permit), upon the NMED's written approval, all submittals and associated schedules shall become enforceable under the Permit in accordance with the terms of the NMED's written approval. Furthermore, Part 1.38 provides that the Department may grant extensions of written requests for due dates for submittals of reports and other deliverables, provided that the Permittee includes a written justification showing good cause and a proposed schedule for submittal.

The Permittee requests an extension of the due date for submittal of the revised Plan. The Permittee cites the late date for a joint NMED and KAFB meeting, for the purpose of discussing NMED's comments, as the basis for the time extension request. The Permittee also proposes a deadline of July 15, 2011 to submit the revised Plan.

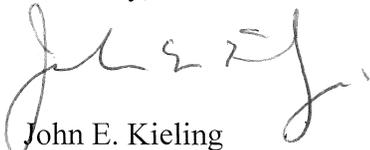
The reasons cited for a time extension represent good cause, thus, NMED approves the request

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for the time extension granting the due date of July 15, 2011 to submit the revised Plan.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact William McDonald at (505) 222-9582.

Sincerely,



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