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June 1, 2012

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RE: REQUEST FOR TIME EXTENSION: REQUIREMENT FOR CHARACTERIZATION PLAN, BULK FUELS FACILITY SPILL, SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT UNITS ST-106 AND SS-111, KIRTLAND AFB, 15 MAY 2012
KIRTLAND AIR FORCE BASE, EPA ID# NM9570024423
HWB-KAFB-10-019

Dear Col. Kubinec and Mr. Pike:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has received the U.S. Air Force's (Permittee) time extension request, dated 25 May 2012, for the development and submission of work plans for the installation of additional monitoring wells to be installed for the Kirtland Air Force Base Bulk Fuels Facility Spill project. As modified by NMED's 15 May 2012 letter, the Permittee shall initially install three clusters of three wells each ranging from shallow to deep as defined in NMED's 13 April 2012 letter. The analytical data of groundwater samples collected from these wells will be evaluated by the Permittee and NMED and the information will be used to determine the locations of additional wells to define the concentration and extent of the ethylene dibrornide (EDB) contamination. These additional wells will provide coverage at the northern and eastern portion of the plume.

The Permittee requests an extension of the 31 May 2012 due date for the submission of the work plans. The Permittee cites the need to modify its Performance-Based Contract as the basis for the time extension request.

NMED hereby approves the request for a 30-day time extension granting a due date of June 30, 2012.

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

Sincerely,

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Chief
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