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CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

August 17, 2011

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RE: TIME EXTENSION TO COMPLETE GROUNDWATER MONITORING WELLS, BULK FUELS FACILITY SPILL, SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT UNITS ST-106 AND SS-111, AUGUST 9, 2011
KIRTLAND AIR FORCE BASE, EPA ID# NM9570024423
HWB-KAFB-10-019

Dear Mr. Col. Maness and Mr. Pike:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has received Mr. Thomas Berardinelli's letter of August 9, 2011, requesting additional time to complete monitoring wells being installed as part of the investigation of contaminated groundwater at the U. S. Air Force ("Permittee") Kirtland Air Force Base Solid Waste Management Units ST-106 and SS- 111 (collectively known as the Bulk Fuels Facility Spill). The Permittee requests that the completion due date be extended from August 18, 2011, to August 30, 2011.

The extension is being requested because of recently encountered difficult drilling conditions and because of a safety concern related to failure of flange connection for a cyclone hose. NMED finds that the request is based on good cause. The request is hereby approved; the new due date to complete the well installations is August 30, 2011.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Mr. William Moats of my staff at (505) 222-9551.

Sincerely,

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