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Dear Mr. Kieling

In response to your letter of 28 June 2012, "*Notice of Approval, Additional Groundwater Monitoring Wells Addendum to Groundwater Investigation Work Plan, March 2011, Bulk Fuels Facility Spill, Solid Waste Management Units ST-106 and SS-111, Dated May 2012,*" Kirtland Air Force Base (KAFB) is requesting an extension to the well installation work schedule to establish a new stipulated completion date of 30 November 2012.

Shaw Environmental Inc., the Air Force's primary contractor for the Bulk Fuels remedial action, provided notification that the proposed well drilling subcontractor scheduled to perform the well installation activity has gone out of business. This notification concerning the loss of subcontractor support was provided the week of 27 June 2012. Shaw has subsequently been able to secure another subcontractor to support the scheduled activity. However, the new subcontractor does not have the equipment inventory necessary to comply with the 31 July 2012 well installation schedule as directed by your 13 April 2012 letter.

KAFB will make every effort to expedite the well installation schedule. However, because of the shortage of available drilling equipment in the regional area, we respectfully request an extension from 31 July 2012 to 30 November 2012 to complete the installation of the three well clusters approved by your 28 June 2012 letter.

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If you have any questions or concerns regarding this extension request for the scheduled drilling activity, please contact Mr. Wayne Bitner at (505) 853-3484 or ludie.bitner@kirtland.af.mil.

Sincerely



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