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March 28, 2023

Tim Davis  
Chief Environmental Officer  
National Aeronautics and Space Administration  
White Sands Test Facility  
P.O. Box 20  
Las Cruces, NM 88004-0020

**RE: RCRA POST-CLOSURE PERMIT  
NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION  
JOHNSON SPACE CENTER WHITE SANDS TEST FACILITY  
DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO  
EPA ID #NM08800019434  
HWB-NASA-19-009**

Dear Mr. Davis:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) hereby issues the attached Resource Conservation and Recovery Act Hazardous Waste Post-Closure Permit, for post-closure care and corrective action to the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA or Permittee) owner and operator of the NASA White Sands Test Facility (Facility) located in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, pursuant to the New Mexico Hazardous Waste Act (HWA), NMSA 1978, § 7 4-4-1 through 7 4-4-14, in accordance with the New Mexico Hazardous Waste Management Regulations (HWMR) 20.4.1 NMAC. The Permit requires the Permittee to conduct post-closure care and corrective action pursuant to the HWA and the HWMR. This Permit is a renewal of; and supersedes, the permit that was issued to the Permittee in November 2009.

A 60-day public comment period was held from May 26, 2022 to July 25, 2022. The public comment period was subsequently extended to August 24, 2022 at the request of the Permittee. The only comments received during the comment period were from the applicant, NASA. The draft permit was modified in response to comments received. Written responses to all comments received are attached.

This Permit is based on information submitted in Parts A and B of the Permit Application submitted by the Permittee, and subsequent revisions and supplemental information. This Permit shall be effective for a fixed term of ten years from its effective date, except as provided

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in Permit Section 1.9.6 and as specified in 40 CFR § 270.51(a)(1) and (2). In accordance with 20.4.1.901.A(I0) NMAC, the effective date of this Permit is April 27, 2023, 30 days after issuance of this notice to the Permittee. Please contact Dave Cobrain at (505) 476-6055 if you have questions.

Signed this 28th day of March 2023.

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NASA Reading and Permit