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CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

May 8, 2013

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**RE: EXTENSION APPROVAL
QUARTERLY PRE-REMEDY MONITORING AND SITE-INVESTIGATION
REPORT FOR APRIL-JUNE 2012, BULK FUELS FACILITY SPILL, SOLID
WASTE MANAGEMENT UNITS ST-106 AND SS-111, OCTOBER 2012
HWB-KAFB-12-023**

Dear Col. Kubinec and Mr. Pike:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has received the U.S. Air Force's (Permittee's) time extension request, dated April 30, 2013, for submittal of the Permittee's response to NMED's Disapproval letter, issued February 1, 2013, for the document *Quarterly Pre-Remedy Monitoring and Site-Investigation Report for April-June 2012, Bulk Fuels Facility Spill, Solid Waste Management Units ST-106 and SS-111, October 2012*.

The Permittee requests an extension of the April 30 due date stating that the basis for the time extension request is the need for "...sufficient time to schedule a meeting with your organization to discuss and resolve the items listed in the subject notice." NMED first received the subject extension request by e-mail on April 30, 2013, the day the submission of the response was due. The Permittee made no attempt to schedule such a meeting prior to the due date. The issues in need of resolution also were not identified in the extension request; therefore, the request is not supported by good cause.

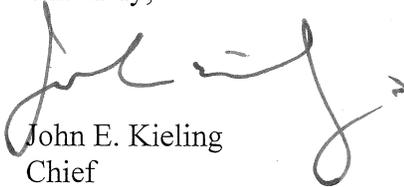
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NMED expects the Permittee to meet deadlines for corrective action submittals. If an extension becomes necessary for good cause, the Permittee must request such extension prior to the due date of submission.

In this case, in the interest of comity, NMED hereby approves an extension of the April 30, 2013 submittal date for the response to NMED's Disapproval to June 6, 2013.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John E. Kieling". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke and a loop at the end.

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