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The attached Vadose Zone Investigation Plan and Interim Measures Work Plan for the Kirtland Air Force Base, Bulk Fuels Facility Spill are being submitted to the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED), Hazardous Waste Bureau. These Plans are submitted as required by the NMED letter of April 2, 2010 addressed to 377 ABW/CC.

These Plans are designed to address the objectives identified in the NMED letter and represent the best technical effort of the Air Force to meet those objectives. Although the Plans address the objectives of your letter, they also propose some deviations from the approach mandated in your letter. These deviations are explained in the plans. The Air Force is also designing a performance-based approach for the response action at the site as discussed by Mr. Terry Yonkers, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Installations, Environment and Logistics and Mr. Ron Curry, New Mexico Secretary of the Environment on May 25, 2010.

Performance-based approaches to remediation place additional responsibility and risk on the selected performance-based contractor (PBC) but are not prescriptive with regard to specific remediation and characterization approaches. Therefore, the U.S. Air Force anticipates that this work plan may be amended with NMED concurrence at a future date if the PBC identifies alternative characterization methodologies that are more appropriate to the remediation approach used by the PBC.

If you have any questions with regard to these submittals, please contact me at (505) 846-3777.

Sincerely

  
ROBERT L. MANESS, Colonel, USAF  
Commander

2 Attachments:

1. Vadose Zone Work Plan (electronic and hardcopy)
2. Interim Measures Work Plan (electronic and hardcopy)

cc:

NMED HWB - Mr. Moats, w/ atchs electronic and hardcopy  
NMED GWQB - Mr. Olson, w/ atchs electronic and hardcopy  
NMED HWB - Mr. McDonald, w/o atchs  
NMED HWB - Mr. Brandwein, w/o atchs  
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