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CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

January 5, 2017

Mr. Adam Kusmak
Chief, Installation Management Flight
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Holloman AFB, NM 88330

**RE: EXTENSION OF DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTAL OF THE RESPONSE TO THE
OCTOBER 7, 2016 NOTICE OF DISAPPROVAL, NITRATE
CHARACTERIZATION STUDY REPORT, JANUARY 2014
HOLLOMAN AIR FORCE BASE, EPA ID # NM6572124422
HWB-HAFB-14-001**

Dear Mr. Kusmak:

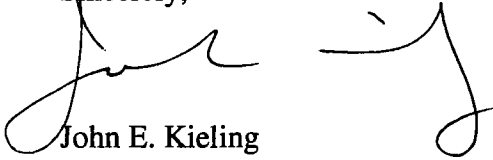
The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has reviewed the Holloman Air Force Base (the Permittee) December 20, 2016 request for a 12-month extension of the deadline to respond to the above referenced Notice of Disapproval (NOD). The Permittee explained that this extension is necessary in order to "solicit expertise from the United States Geological Survey (USGS) to help better characterize the fate and transport of nitrate in the environment at the Base. Funding has not been approved for USGS support at this time".

NMED hereby grants an extension for submittal of the response to the NOD. The Permittee shall submit the response not later than **December 5, 2017**.

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If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Mr. David Strasser of my staff at (505) 222-9526.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John E. Kieling', written in a cursive style.

John E. Kieling
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