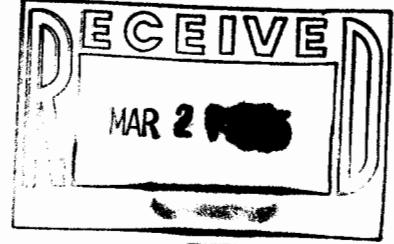




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Dear Mr. DeWitt:

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Enclosed please find a copy of the comments recently transmitted to DOE/Sandia National Laboratories concerning their report entitled "Background Concentrations of Constituents of Concern to the Sandia National Laboratories/New Mexico Environmental Restoration Project."

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) understands that Kirtland and Sandia will combine efforts to produce a document that addresses background conditions throughout the entire Kirtland Air Force Base complex. The EPA supports this combined background study and is forwarding the attached comments to Kirtland to aid in this effort.

Please note that the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has not completed their review of the background study. The EPA expects to formally include NMED comments at a later date.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at (214) 665-6650.

Sincerely yours,

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Enclosure

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