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**CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

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**RE: REQUIREMENT TO SUBMIT WELL INSTALLATION WORK PLAN  
KIRTLAND AIR FORCE BASE, NEW MEXICO  
EPA ID # NM9570024423  
HWB-KAFB-BFF-MISC**

Dear Colonel Miller and Colonel Acosta:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED), during the August 2019 Kirtland Air Force Base (Facility) Bulk Fuels Facility Technical Working Group Meeting, was informed by the U.S. Air Force (Permittee) that the Permittee was proposing to install five new monitoring wells in order to support and refine its vadose zone modeling effort.

NMED met with the Permittee on September 26, 2019 to discuss the potential to utilize some of the proposed wells for multiple purposes to address other data gaps, the most important being the further characterization of the source area migration pathway through the vadose zone east of the former location of the bulk fuels loading racks. The Permittee agreed to evaluate the potential and to provide NMED with a date for submittal of the work plan in late October.

In a conference call on October 29, 2019 between the Permittee and NMED, the parties agreed to a work plan submittal date in late December prior to the Christmas holiday.

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As discussed in the conference call, the Permittee must submit a work plan to install a minimum of five wells to NMED for approval no later than **December 20, 2019**. The work plan must include the requirements for a work plan as described in the Facility's RCRA Permit section 6.2.4.2 and a proposed schedule for completion of field activities and submittal of a report summarizing the well installation activities and data collection.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Ben Wear at (505) 476-6041.

Sincerely,



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