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Army Environmental Division – BRAC Operations Branch

Mr. Ricardo Maestas Acting Chief, Hazardous Waste Bureau New Mexico Environment Department 2905 Rodeo Park Drive East, Building 1 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505-6303

RE: 2024 Interim Northern Area Groundwater Monitoring Plan, Tribal Review Period, Fort Wingate Depot Activity, McKinley County, New Mexico. EPA#: NM6213820974

Dear Mr. Maestas:

The Department of the Army respectfully submits this letter to serve as notification to the New Mexico Environment Department, Hazardous Waste Bureau (NMED-HWB), that on February 9, 2024, the Navajo Nation and The Zuni Tribe received the above-mentioned report for review and comment. The 60-day Tribal review period for that document expired on April 9, 2024, and the Army has not received comments from either Tribe about this report.

Pursuant to our agreement, NMED agreed to provide a response to the Army regarding the Report, only after the Army demonstrated the Army had reviewed and responded to Tribal comments. With the expiration of the review period without comments, the Army assumes the Tribes have no comments.

If you have any questions or require further information, please contact me at <u>Cheryl.a.frischkorn.civ@army.mil</u>, 703-624-6429 (Mobile), or <u>George.h.cushman.civ@army.mil</u>, 703-455-3234 (Temporary Home Office, preferred) or 703-608-2245 (Mobile).

Sincerely,

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