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## CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

April 18, 2019

Mark Patterson BRAC Environmental Coordinator Fort Wingate Depot Activity 13497 Elton Road North Lima, OH 44452

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RE: EXTENSION REQUEST FOR THE PARCEL 3 HAZARDOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT UNIT INVESTIGATION AND REMEDIATION REPORT FORT WINGATE DEPOT ACTIVITY MCKINLEY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO EPA # NM6213820974 HWB-FWDA-11-013

Dear Messrs. Patterson and Smith:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) is in receipt of the Fort Wingate Depot Activity (Permittee) request for an extension (Request) to submit the Parcel 3 Hazardous Waste Management Unit Investigation and Remediation Report (Report), dated April 3, 2019 and received April 9, 2019.

The Request mistakenly refers to the Report as the HWMU Closure Report. The Report required and referenced in NMED's February 1, 2019 Clarification on Submittal Dates for Multiple Documents is an investigation and remediation report that will summarize the work performed under the Permittee's NMED-approved Removal Work Plan HWMU, Parcel 3 (Plan).

The Permittee has provided adequate justification for an extension. Therefore, the request for an extension is approved. The Report is required to be submitted to NMED no later than **March 29**, **2023**, as requested.



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This project has been ongoing for many years with no formal reporting provided to NMED. The original schedule in the NMED-approved Plan indicated that field work would be complete in 2014. The project schedule, including field work, has now been extended by 8-years. Based on the long timeframe since work at the HWMU began, NMED requires that the Permittee submit annual status reports describing work completed through the end of the previous calendar year. The status reports must describe all work conducted for the corresponding year, including providing maps and tables containing analytical results for all confirmation sampling performed (only analyte detections and those analytes where the method detection limits exceed the screening levels are required to be included in the table). Analytical laboratory reports are not required for the progress reports. The first of these progress reports must be submitted to NMED no later than **September 30, 2019** and must report on all work performed through December 31, 2018 breaking out the work by calendar year. Subsequent reports will be due on June 30<sup>th</sup> of each following year until the project is complete.

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

Sincerely,

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