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February 8, 2024

George H. Cushman Headquarters, Department of the Army Office of the DCS, G-9 Army Environmental Office, Room 5C140 600 Army Pentagon Washington, DC 20310-0600

RE: APPROVAL

LETTER REPORT FOR DOWNHOLE VIDEO INSPECTION FOR WELL BGMW08 FORT WINGATE DEPOT ACTIVITY

MCKINLEY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

EPA ID# NM6213820974 HWB-FWDA-23-007

Dear Mr. Cushman:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) is in receipt of the Fort Wingate Depot Activity (Permittee) *Letter Report for Downhole Video Inspection for Well BGMW08* (Report), dated September 18, 2023. NMED has reviewed the Report and hereby issues this Approval.

The Permittee conducted downhole vide inspection for well BGMW08 on July 11, 2023 in accordance with the December 28, 2022 work plan approved by NMED on May 10, 2023. The Report concludes that the blank casing, connecting threads, or screen interval of well BGMW08 is intact. Well BGMW08 does not appear to be damaged based on the conclusion; therefore, it is unlikely to be a conduit for contaminant migration. The increased water level during the January 2019 gauging event may be reported incorrectly (i.e., human error).

The Permittee must retain well BGMW08 for all future monitoring/sampling events. If sudden increase of water level in well BGMW08 is observed as seen on the January 2019 gauging event, the Permittee must report such incident and propose to investigate cause of the increase in the associated periodic groundwater monitoring report.

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This approval is based on the information presented in the document as it relates to the objectives of the work identified by NMED at the time of review. Approval of this document does not constitute agreement with all information or every statement presented in the document

Should you have any questions, please contact Michiya Suzuki of my staff at (505) 690-6930.

Sincerely,

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