

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY U.S. ARMY ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND, MARYLAND 21010-5401

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Base Closure Division

Mr. John Pfeil
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Dear Mr. Pfeil:

The enclosed copy of the draft Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study (RI/FS) Report is submitted for your review and comment. This RI/FS Report presents the results and conclusions of the base closure environmental investigation which began on November 17, 1992, for the Fort Wingate Depot Activity, Gallup, New Mexico.

Five sites have been proposed for site-specific restoration as a result of evaluation and risk analyses in the RI/FS Report. All five sites address proposed soil restoration. The five sites identified for site-specific restoration are: the Pistol Range; a small PCB spill near Building 536; the lagoons associated with Building 503; the Building 501 area; and the Building 5 area. Restoration issues for the Open Burning and Open Detonation (OB/OD) area will be addressed in the final Interim Status RCRA Closure Plan and will not be included in this RI/FS Report.

The effort and cooperation shown by both yourself and Mr. Marc Sides in support of the ongoing environmental investigation at Fort Wingate has been outstanding. We look forward to your continued support in completing all necessary environmental efforts at the former Depot.

To ensure compliance with the base closure schedule, it is imperative that you provide any written comments or concerns to this Center, no later than March 4, 1994.

Questions regarding this submission should be directed to Mr. Michael Gaborek, P.E., at (410) 671-1627.

Sincerely,

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