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Mr. James P. Bearzi Chief, Hazardous Waste Bureau New Mexico Environment Department 2905 Rodeo Park Drive East, Building 1 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505-6303

RE: Class 3 Permit Modification request to move AOCs 71, 87, and 93 from Table 1 to Table 4 in the RCRA Permit

Dear Mr. Bearzi:

The purpose of this letter is to request a Class 3 RCRA Permit modification to the Fort Wingate Depot Activity (FWDA) RCRA Permit EPA ID No. NM6213820974 (Permit). The requested modification is to move AOC 93 within Parcels 12 and 14 and AOCs 71 and 87 within Parcel 21 from Table 1(Solid Waste Management Units (SWMUs) and Areas of Concern (AOCs) That Require Corrective Action) to Table 4 (SWMUs and AOCs Corrective Action Complete Without Controls), which are located in Attachment 8 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Permit.

This request is in response to the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) review of the Department of the Army's (the Permittee) *Release Assessment Report for Parcel* 21, dated February 21, 2008. Based on NMED review, no further site assessment is required for AOC 87 and AOC 71 and the Permittee may petition for a permit modification to move AOC 87 and AOC 71 from Table 1 to Table 4 located in Attachment 8 of the RCRA permit as stated above. A copy of the NMED review letter, dated July 3, 2008, is enclosed.

In addition, the Army has drafted a Release Assessment Report for Parcels 12 and Parcel 14. This document contains the results of investigations in AOC 93 within Parcel 12 that revealed no constituents exceeding the December 2009 NMED Soil Screening Levels (SSLs) for residential soils. A statement was also provided by a Lieutenant General (Retired) serving in the New Mexico National Guard during training exercises conducted at Fort Wingate to include AOC 93 within Parcels 12, 14, and 16. The National Guard letter stated that no live firing exercises were conducted during their operations on Fort Wingate.

Based on the findings in section 4.0 of the Parcels 12, 14, and 25 RFI Work Plan dated June 27, 2008, there is no evidence to suggest that the AOC 75 location in Parcel 12 poses a threat to human health or the environment. No further action is needed on AOC 75 in Parcel 12.

Based on the above letter, investigations, and research, the Army believes no release of hazardous constituents has occurred in AOCs 71, 87, and 93. The Army is requesting to move AOCs 71, 87, and 93 from Table 1(SWMUs and AOCs That Require Corrective Action) to Table 4 (SWMUs and AOCs Corrective Action Complete Without Controls), located in Attachment 8 of the RCRA Permit. The Army also requests removal of Parcel 12 and Parcel 14 from the Permit.



If you have questions or require further information, please call me at (330) 358-7312.

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Sincerely, Mark Patterson

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