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Mr. John Kieling  
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RE: Bench Scale and Pilot Testing Work Plan Withdrawal Letter, Fort Wingate Depot Activity, McKinley County, New Mexico, EPA #NM6213820974, HWB-FWDA-19-002

Dear Mr. Kieling:

The Army is respectfully withdrawing the document titled *Bench Scale and Pilot Testing Work Plan, Fort Wingate Depot Activity, McKinley County, New Mexico* dated April 16, 2019 from further review due to scope limitations and non-availability of adequate contract capacity needed to address the New Mexico Environment Department's (NMED) comments included in the Notice of Disapproval (NOD) letter dated July 12, 2019, HWB-FWDA-19-002. The original purpose of this voluntary document submission was to expedite the cleanup process by conducting the bench and pilot scale treatability studies parallel to the RFI to support the future Corrective Measures Study. The NMED comment letter dated July 12, 2019 is requesting to expand the scope of the bench scale and pilot testing to a full-scale Corrective Measure Study. Therefore, subject to the availability of funds and final approval of the Northern Groundwater RFI report currently underway, the Army will program a new contract to address the NMED requirements per the July 12, 2019 comment letter in a Corrective Measure Study Work Plan.

This is an official request to withdraw from further NMED review the document titled: *Final Bench Scale and Pilot Testing Work Plan to support Future Corrective Measure Study, Fort Wingate Depot Activity, McKinley County, NM*. Please confirm your decision regarding this matter.

If you have questions or require further information, please call me at (505) 721-9770.

Sincerely,

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Mr. Kieling,

The Army is respectfully withdrawing the document titled *Bench Scale and Pilot Testing Work Plan Withdrawal Letter, Fort Wingate Depot Activity, McKinley County, New Mexico* dated April 16, 2019 from further review, please see the attached letter.

If you have questions or require further information, please all Mark Patterson at 505-721-9770.

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Respectfully submitted,

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