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Mr. Rick Shean
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RE: Extension Request for submittal of the Parcel 3 Inner Fence Report, Fort Wingate Depot Activity, McKinley County, New Mexico. EPA# NM6213820974

Dear Mr. Shean:

The purpose of this letter is to request an extension for submittal of the Parcel 3 Inner Fence Report to the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED), from January 22, 2022 until January 22, 2024. As you are aware, the submittal date for the Inner Fence Report was established in NMED's September 18, 2018, Approval with Modifications for the Inner Fence Work Plan. Since that time there have been several correspondences between NMED and the Army, most recently with the Army's submittal of responses to NMED comments on December 16, 2021. The Army has also made significant progress implementing the Inner Fence Work Plan during this time. However, surface clearance on some grids has not yet been completed due to the very high density of anomalies on those grids, and the resulting safety concerns, which preclude manual clearing, and will require remote, mechanical treatment. Accordingly, the Army will propose submittal of a phase two work plan for clearance of the high-density anomaly grids in the final report.

The Army is seeking extension in time under RCRA Permit Section I.M., in order to finish the field work and complete the final report.

If you have questions or require further information, please contact me at George.h.cushman.civ@mail.mil, 703-455-3234 (Temporary Home Office, preferred) or 703-608-2245 (Mobile).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "George H. Cushman IV".

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