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Mr. Rick Shean
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RE: Extension Request for the Parcel 3 Well Replacement Installation, Fort Wingate Depot Activity, McKinley County, New Mexico. EPA# NM6213820974

Dear Mr. Shean:

The purpose of this letter is to request an extension for completing the field work and submitting the final report to the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) for the above referenced project, from June 30, 2022 and July 10, 2022, respectively, to December 30, 2022 and February 10, 2023. As your team is aware, the Army's contractor initiated field work and is scheduled to install the remaining accessible wells prior to June 30, 2022. However, nine of the replacement wells in this project are located in areas with continuing safety concerns. These areas remain highly contaminated with explosive hazards and/or are within the safety arc of the ongoing Hazardous Waste Management Unit (HWMU) removal project. These areas are scheduled to be remediated of explosive hazards in the next several months, as part of the HWMU removal project. The Army is requesting to complete the remediation work in these areas prior to installing the replacement wells.

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

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