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July 12, 2013

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Attention of: RE-E13-071

**RE: APPROVAL
TIME EXTENSION FOR CONVERSION OF WESTBAY WELLS
NATIONAL AERONAUTICS SPACE ADMINISTRATION (NASA)
JOHNSON SPACE CENTER (JSC) WHITE SANDS TEST FACILITY (WSTF)
DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO
EPA ID #NM08800019434
HWB-NASA-12-021**

Dear Ms. Bunker-Farrah:

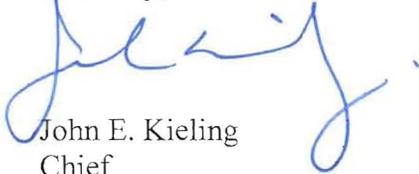
The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has received NASA WSTF's (Permittee) *Request for Extension of Time for Conversion of Westbay Wells* (Request) dated June 28, 2013 and received July 1, 2013. The Permittee has cited contractual issues and noted that Westbay field staff have indicated their tentative availability in early to mid-August 2013. Additionally, the Permittee has indicated a need to switch the conversion of WW-2 (instead of ST-6) due to existing casing damage in ST-6. The Permittee has shown good cause and NMED hereby grants

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the Permittee an extension to **October 30, 2013** for completion of the Westbay conversions for both monitoring wells. It is understood by NMED that the conversion process will be as outlined in the Permittee's November 1, 2012 Westbay Well Conversion Work Plan which NMED approved on January 16, 2013.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Daniel Comeau at (505) 476-6043.

Sincerely,



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