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Attention of: RE-14-090

**RE: APPROVAL
REQUEST FOR VARIANCE FROM GROUNDWATER SAMPLING SCHEDULE
NATIONAL AERONAUTICS SPACE ADMINISTRATION (NASA)
JOHNSON SPACE CENTER (JSC) WHITE SANDS TEST FACILITY (WSTF)
DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO
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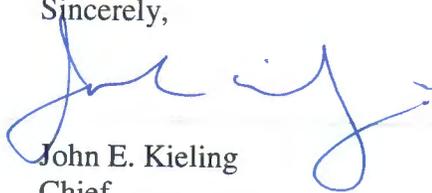
Dear Ms. Bunker-Farrar:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has received the NASA WSTF (Permittee) request, dated November 24, 2014 and received November 26, 2014, seeking a variance from the groundwater sampling schedule. The Permittee believes that delays in groundwater sampling schedule will continue to occur because of lingering resource limitations. The Permittee anticipates the dedication of additional personnel to groundwater sampling and expects to regain the sampling schedule (within the 30 day limitations) by January 2015. The Permittee has shown good cause for the extension and NMED hereby grants the Permittee the 30 day groundwater sampling variance for wells listed on the November and December groundwater sampling schedule enclosures. In the event the Permittee makes a subsequent determination that additional time will be needed to complete the groundwater sampling, the Permittee must notify NMED thereof in writing on or before February 1, 2015.

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If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Vicky Baca at (505) 476-6059.

Sincerely,



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