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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

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May 15, 2008

Mr. Ron Baca, P.G.
Installation Restoration Program Manager
Building 622, 1733 Pleasanton Road
Fort Bliss, Texas 79916-6816

Re: Approval of Response Action Completion Report
Open Burn/Open Detonation (OB/OD) Area A-1 (FTBL-073), Castner Range, Fort Bliss
(El Paso County), Texas
TCEQ SWR No. 63003
EPA ID No. TX4213720101
TCEQ Hazardous Waste Permit No. HW-50296

Dear Mr. Baca:

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) has completed review of the Response Action Completion Report (RACR) for OB/OD Area A-1 dated January 17, 2008 and received on January 18, 2008. The referenced RACR documents completion of corrective action activities required under hazardous waste permit provision IX, Corrective Action for Solid Waste Management Units (SWMUs), to residential standards at OB/OD Area A-1.

The response action consisted of excavation of soil exceeding Tier 1 protective concentration levels (PCLs) for pesticides (aldrin, alpha-BHC and 4,4-DDE). All soils containing pesticide concentrations above the critical PCLs for residential land use have been excavated and properly disposed. Pesticides were detected in surface soil only.

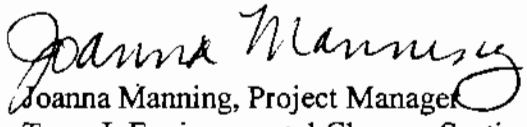
Based upon the submitted information and with the provision that the documentation provided to this agency was accurate and representative of site conditions, the OB/OD Area A-1 has met closure requirements. No further corrective action for this site will be necessary. Note that this site is located within closed Castner Range which requires further investigation and cleanup under Section IX of the referenced permit.

Please be aware that it is the continuing obligation of persons associated with a site to ensure that municipal hazardous waste and industrial solid waste are managed in a manner which does not cause the discharge or imminent threat of discharge of waste into or adjacent to waters in the state, a nuisance, or the endangerment of the public health and welfare as required by 30 TAC §335.4. If the response actions described in the report fail to comply with these requirements, please take any necessary and authorized action to correct such conditions. A TCEQ field inspector may conduct an inspection of your site to determine compliance with the report.

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Questions concerning this letter should be directed to me at (512) 239-3737. When responding by mail, please submit an original and one copy of all correspondence and reports to the TCEQ Remediation Division at Mail Code MC-127. An additional copy should be submitted to the local TCEQ Region Office. The information in the reference block should be included in all submittals.

Sincerely,


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Remediation Division
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

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cc: Waste Program Manager, TCEQ Region 6 Office, El Paso