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**STAY OF FINAL MODIFIED HAZARDOUS WASTE FACILITY PERMIT FOR
EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE, EDWARDS, CALIFORNIA, ENVIRONMENTAL
PROTECTION AGENCY ID. NO. CA1570024504**

Dear Mr. Roraback:

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) has received one petition for review (appeal) of the permit modification decision issued by DTSC on December 19, 2014, for the open burn/open detonation (OB/OD) units at the Explosive Ordnance and Disposal Range located within the Edwards Air Force Base (EAFB). The petition for review, dated January 21, 2015, was filed by Ms. Jane Williams, Director, Desert Citizens Against Pollution.

Pursuant to California Code of Regulations, title 22, section 66271.14 (b)(2), the permit decision is hereby stayed until DTSC's Permit Appeals Office has completed its review of the petition and determined which, if any, of the issues raised in the petition meet the criteria set forth in California Code of Regulations, title 22, section 66271.18 for granting a review.

If DTSC determines that one or more issues raised in the appeal meet the procedural and substantive criteria for granting a review, DTSC will issue an order and a public notice establishing a briefing period, during which interested parties may submit written arguments to DTSC on specified appeal comments. In this case, the stay of permit will continue to be in effect until the final decision on the appeal is issued.

As DTSC's Permit Appeals Officer, I must remain neutral in the process. Therefore, I must refrain from discussing the substance of the permit decision and the appeal with all parties or their representatives. You may, however, continue to communicate with staff in the Office of Permitting who issued the permit. If you have any further appeal

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procedural questions, please contact Mr. Paul Ruffin, permit appeals project manager at (916) 255-6677, or email us at appeals@dtsc.ca.gov. We also encourage you to review the Permit Appeal Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's) at the following link: <http://www.dtsc.ca.gov/HazardousWaste/AppealingPermit.cfm>.

Sincerely,

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