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Environmental Special Programs Programs and Project Management

«Title» «FirstName» «LastName» «Company» «Address1» «City», «State» «PostalCode»

Dear «Title» «LastName»:

It has come to our attention through Sivuqaq, Inc., based in Gambell, Alaska, that a few statements regarding land usage in Gambell that were written in the HTRW Project Closeout Report (Gambell FUDS) are in error. Errors occur specifically, in Section 2.0 on page 2, within the third paragraph. That third paragraph is hereby corrected by amendment as follows:

The Gambell site was used by the military from 1948 until the late <u>1950's1960's</u>. Various facilities were constructed by the U.S. Army and the U.S. Air Force near the village of Gambell to provide housing and operations, aircraft radar, communications, and other functions. The <u>military leasedArmy/Air Force used</u> approximately 2,543 acres in Gambell<u>under Special Use</u> <u>Permits and Public Land Order, of which the U.S. Air Force leased 1,807 acres and the U.S.</u> Army leased the remaining acreage. The Air Force built a base camp in 1950 at the foot of Sevuokuk Mountain and a radar site directly above on the mountain top (both abandoned in 1956). The Army occupied several sites during the late 1950s, with a main base camp located just north of Troutman Lake. <u>The Gambell Annex, Gambell Army Site No 1, Gambell Site No 2, and Gambell Army Station were not relinquished to BLM until 1965.</u> The Navy also laid communications cables from the village of Gambell, up Sevuokuk Mountain, and south to Brunnell Cape.

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Sincerely,

Carey Cossaboom Project Manager

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