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James Colter  
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RE: Northrop Grumman and Naval Weapons  
Industrial Research Plant (NWIRP) Bethpage  
Operable Unit 2 (OU2) Groundwater Remedy,  
Nassau County Sites No. 1-30-003A & B.

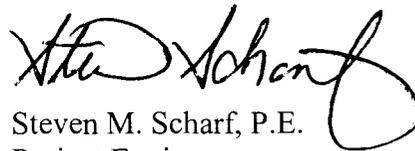
Dear Mr. Colter:

This correspondence is a follow up to our June 6, 2002 conference call between the Department of the Navy and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC). One of the subjects of our call was the draft Navy Record of Decision (ROD) issued on May 15 2002. At that time the NYSDEC requested a time extension for the comment period regarding this draft ROD and the Department of the Navy granted an extension until July 1, 2002.

By means of this letter, the NYSDEC is requesting an additional time extension until July 10, 2002. The reason for this request is that the NYSDEC is viewing the June 27, 2002 Remedial Advisory Board (RAB) as the required public forum to discuss the draft ROD with the public. The NYSDEC procedure is to give a minimum of two weeks from the public forum to the closure of the public comment period.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of the NYSDEC request. If you have any questions, please contact me at (518)402-9620.

Sincerely,



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