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LETTER TO THE U S MARINE CORPS REGARDING WATER MODELING ANALYSIS AND
HEALTH STUDY MCB CAMP LEJEUNE NC
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AGENCY FOR TOXIC SUBSTANCES AND DISEASE REGISTRY



Agency for Toxic Substances
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Atlanta GA 30333

February 21, 2006

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Dear General Kramlich:

Thank you for your detailed letter of January 12 responding to my request for assistance in providing the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) with data and information to support ATSDR's ongoing health study at U.S. Marine Corps (USMC) Base Camp Lejeune, North Carolina.

I appreciate the USMC's efforts to provide us with the information and data requested in my letter of December 9, 2005. We received the information and data in December 2005 and January 2006. ATSDR staff are evaluating the material for incorporation into our water-modeling analyses and health study. It will assist us in documenting critical chronological events relative to the water-modeling analyses.

Although, ATSDR has the scientific expertise in water-modeling and epidemiologic analyses, we have no regulatory enforcement authority. We depend on other agencies to provide us the necessary documentation and data to complete our studies in a timely manner. Maintaining a cooperative relationship between our respective agencies is important. As you requested, I have identified a single point of contact at ATSDR to assist with project logistics, information, and data requests. ATSDR's single point of contact is Ms. Linnet Griffiths. She has already contacted Ms. Kelly Dryer on your staff.

My staff and I would be pleased to meet with you to inform you about the status of our activities. I have asked Ms. Linnet Griffiths to coordinate this meeting with Ms. Dryer. I look forward to meeting with you in the near future.

Thank you again for your cooperation and continued interest in the work of ATSDR.

Sincerely,

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