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CRANE DIVISION
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IN REPLY REFER TO
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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region V
Region V Waste Management Division
Mr. Hak Cho (HRP-8J)
Chief, Indiana Section
77 West Jackson Blvd.
Chicago, IL 60604

Dear Mr. Cho:

Crane Division, Naval Surface Warfare Center (NAVSURFWARCENDIV Crane) submitted responses to comments on a Risk Assessment Work Plan for review, comment, and approval. Mr. Charles Maurice, an ecologist with Region V, stated that he preferred to visit the sites in question prior to completing his review of the responses. This visit occurred on February 22, 1995.

Funding for the Risk Assessment comes from Southern Division Naval Facilities Engineering Command (SOUTHNAVFACENGCOCM). Money is available this fiscal year for the project. However, due to funding reductions, SOUTHNAVFACENGCOCM has projected that funds probably will not be available next fiscal year. Therefore, it is essential that the workplan be finalized and field work begin this fiscal year. As such, to ensure that this project is funded, it is necessary to negotiate the work plan implementation within the next two weeks. To accomplish this, NAVSURFWARCENDIV Crane will need all comments from the U.S. EPA Region V as soon as possible. This will help us to decide exactly how many samples will be required and will enable us to finalize the work plan. It is anticipated that the fiscal year 1995 budget will be completely obligated at the end of March 1995. NAVSURFWARCENDIV Crane would appreciate your expedience in providing any further comments to the responses. Thank you for your cooperation.

NAVSURFWARCENDIV Crane point of contact is Mr. Thomas J. Brent, Code 09510, telephone 812-854-6160.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C. K. Hill".

C. K. HILL
Deputy Director, Public Works Directorate
By direction of the Commander

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