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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:

February 9, 1999

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Ms. Christine Freeman
Environmental Protection Department
Code 095
Naval Surface Warfare Center
300 Highway 361
Crane, Indiana 47522

RE: Approval to Backfill at Mine Fill A
Bioremediation Facility
Naval Surface Warfare Center
Crane, Indiana

Dear Ms. Freeman:

The purpose of this letter is to follow up on the United States Environmental Protection Agency's (U.S. EPA) verbal approval on December 16, 1998, to allow the backfilling of treated soil compost in storage piles at the Mine Fill A Solid Waste Management Unit (SWMU). It is our understanding that all the soil meets the industrial and residential cleanup goals. The soil will be spread back onto the ground at the Mine Fill A SWMU. The Navy and its contractor shall track the disposal location for each treated pile and reference on a map the location and pile number. The Navy shall maintain records coordinating the final treatment values with those maps for the institutional control documentation.

The pile that the toxicity testing was performed from shall remain in storage at Mine Fill A until the Bioremediation Facility Work Plan Appendix G requirements are finally approved. Once the toxicity testing is acceptable to the U.S. EPA that pile may be backfilled. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at (312) 886-6146.

Sincerely,

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