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May 8, 1989

Lieutenant Commander Tubello  
Public Works Officer  
Naval Weapons Station Earle  
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Dear Commander Tubello:

I am writing to update you on the status of the analyses of the soil samples from underneath the 2000 gallon waste oil tank that was removed on May 23, 1988. As you may be aware, the DEP sent the analyses back to us on January 5, 1989 for further quality control assurances. We had QC Inc., the laboratory who performed the analyses, submit a detailed quality control report to the DEP. QC Inc. sent this report to the DEP (via Federal Express) on February 10, 1989. A copy of the Federal Express receipt is attached. The report was addressed to Thomas Sherman, the acting Bureau Chief of Hazardous Waste Engineering. I made several attempts a few weeks after the report was submitted to speak with Thomas Sherman. Mr. Sherman's assistant, Bill Sharples, returned my telephone calls on February 23, 1989. Mr. Sharples informed me that he did not know anything about the laboratory's report and that he did not think that Mr. Sherman had received it. I told him that I would hand deliver a copy of the report to him if he could not locate it. During this conversation, I expressed my concern to Mr. Sharples about the length of time that it would take the DEP, specifically the Bureau of Environmental Measures and Quality Assurance (BEMQUA), to review this information. Bill said that since it had taken BEMQUA such a long time, (over 3 months) to review the original submittal, he would make certain that this resubmittal review would be streamlined.

On March 10, 1989, I hand delivered a copy of the report to Mr. Sharples. On April 12, 1989, I called him to check on the status of the report. After looking through some files, he informed me that the report was sent to BEMQUA on March 10, 1989 and that the normal review time had not been exceeded, so there was nothing that he would do. I asked him how long the normal review process would take and he replied that such information is confidential. He then said that since I expressed an interest in the status of the report, that he would look into the matter. I said that I would appreciate any help he could give me and then ended the conversation.

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I feel that we are going to have to wait for the DEP's response and continue from there. As soon as I hear anything new I will be in touch. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me.

Sincerely,



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