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Mr. Robert Marcolina
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Bureau of Federal Case Management
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Subj: SITE INVESTIGATION REPORTS, UST REMOVAL ACTIONS, C-17/20, R-6/7
NAVAL WEAPONS STATION EARLE, COLTS NECK, MONMOUTH COUNTY

Dear Mr. Marcolina:

We have received your letter to Mr. Tom Dunn dated 6 March, in which you requested changes to the subject reports. As you discussed with Mr. Dunn, the contractor who prepared the reports is no longer under contract. This letter is provided in lieu of revisions to the report. The following responses are numbered to match the corresponding comment in your letter:

1. The backfill operations on both sites consisted of placing imported clean fill at the bottom of the excavations to a point above groundwater, followed by placing onsite non-visibly contaminated soil to within no more than 3 feet of finished grade, followed by backfill to finished grade with more clean imported fill.
2. The Navy is conducting comprehensive site investigations at both sites via a contract with Brown & Root Environmental. The draft reports are due in late May. Contamination adjacent to Building 16 will be addressed in conjunction with the C-17/20 site. An interim free product recovery system is scheduled to be in operation in April at the C-16 site. Full scale remediation of C-16/17/20 and R-6/7 is scheduled for late 1996, subject to availability of funding in FY-97.
3. Please refer to item 1 above.

We trust that this letter will adequately address your concerns. Any questions should be referred to the undersigned at (610) 595-0567, Ext 124.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Brian J. Helland".

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