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Mr. Jeffrey Gratz, Project Manager
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
18th Floor, East
290 Broadway
New York, New York 10007-1866

Re: Response to EPA and NJDEP Comments on the Navy's draft
Feasibility Study for Sites 4, 5, 19 and 26
Naval Weapons Station Earle, Colts Neck, NJ

Dear Mr. Gratz:

As discussed during our phone conversations of 23 January 1997 and 30 January 1997, the Draft Final Feasibility Study delivered on 21 January 1997 was not complete. While most of the weakness related to Site 26 where data analysis was still ongoing, some comments regarding other sites were also not resolved.

Responses to your letters of 19 November and 19 December 1996 and NJDEP's letters of 26 November and 30 December 1996 are attached. Our contractor has been directed to provide revised pages to the Draft Final FS which address all outstanding issues. The revised pages will be delivered by 7 February 1997.

Your cooperation regarding finalization of the Feasibility Study is appreciated. The Navy will continue to make every effort to proceed in a timely manner. If you have any questions, please call me at (610) 595-0567 Ext. 157.

Sincerely,

JOHN P. KOLICIUS
Remedial Project Manager
By direction of the Commanding
Officer

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