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Jeanne M. Fox, Regional Administrator
U.S Environmental Protection Agency - Region II
290 Broadway
New York, NY 10007

Dear Mr. Kolicius and Ms. Fox:

Re: Concurrence on Record of Decision for OU-3 (Site 26)
Naval Weapons Station Earle
Colts Neck Twp., Monmouth Co.

The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (Department) has reviewed the Record of Decision (ROD) for Operable Unit 3 (Site 26), prepared by Brown & Root Environmental on behalf of the Naval Weapons Station Earle, dated April 1998.

The Department concurs with the Navy's and EPA's chosen remedial alternative for this Site. The chosen remedy consists of air sparging with soil vapor extraction.

New Jersey appreciates the importance of the Record of Decision in the cleanup process and will continue to take all reasonable steps to ensure that the State's commitment in this area are met.

Sincerely,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard J. Simello".

Richard J. Simello, Assistant Commissioner
Site Remediation Program

c: Greg Geopfert, NWS Earle
Jessica Mollin, EPA
Lester Jargowsky, Monmouth County Health Dept.