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Dear Ms. DiGeambeardino:

Re: Preliminary Assessment/Site Investigation Report
For Sites 47 & 48
Naval Weapons Station Earle
Colts Neck Twp., Monmouth Co.

The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) has reviewed the above report prepared by EA Engineering, Science and Technology, Inc. (EA), dated June 2002. The NJDEP approves this report provided the following comment is addressed.

Section 4.2.4 and Table 5: The sediment sample analysis should have been compared to the Freshwater Sediment Screening Guidelines, *not* the Soil Cleanup Criteria (see attached). However, the NJDEP is in agreement with EA's recommendation that additional sediment samples be taken as part of a Baseline Ecological Evaluation (BEE).

If you have any questions, please call me at (609)-633-7237.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bob Marcolina".

Bob Marcolina, Case Manager
Bureau of Federal Case Management

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