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U S NAVY RESPONSE TO U S EPA COMMENTS ON DATA USABILITY WORKSHEETS
SITES 41 AND 46 NSW EARLE NJ
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Response to EPA Comments Dated February 6, 2013
on Site 41 and Site 46 Data Useability Worksheets

Naval Weapons Station Earle
Colts Neck, New Jersey

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Sites 41 and 46

- 1) The discussion on reporting limits on the first page of both documents is correct. The CRQLs are as cited in the reports and no corrections are necessary.

Response: No comment necessary.

- 2) The discussion on the narrative should not only state the project goals, but also discuss the sampling design and whether it was adequate to meet the project goals.

Response: The suggested text has been added in the narrative discussion for each site.

- 3) The impact of reviewing data that was taken in 1996 should be discussed.

Response: The worksheets for each site have been revised as suggested.

- 4) The answer to the worksheet question "Were detection limits adequate?" should also include an evaluation of not only whether the laboratory met the original detection limits, but also whether the original detection limits were adequate to meet the project goals.

Response: The worksheets for each site have been revised as suggested.

- 5) A discussion of whether the quantity as well as the quality of the data was adequate to satisfy project goals should be part of the DQO evaluation.

Response: The worksheets for each site have been revised as suggested

- 6) The data validation portion of the worksheet should include the identity of the person or office that performed the data validation.

Response: The worksheets for each site have been revised to include the requested information.

- 7) The discussion on data qualifiers should include the rationale behind using qualified data and what factors were considered when making the decision to use qualified data.

Response: The worksheets for each site have been revised as suggested.