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**RE: Stakeholder Draft Historical Records Review  
Fort Story, Virginia**

Dear Ms. Bateman:

The Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) has received the *Stakeholder Draft Historical Records Review* report (HRR Report) for Fort Story, Virginia. The February 2008 HRR Report, prepared by URS Group, Inc. (URS), was received by the DEQ on February 19, 2008.

Thank you for providing the DEQ's Office of Remediation Programs the opportunity to review the above-referenced HRR Report. In addition to the specific typographical errors discussed with URS after the March 18, 2008 Technical Project Planning (TPP) Meeting 2, this office has the following comments:

- (1) Please include further discussion and additional supporting documentation associated with the increase in operational range area at Fort Story. The HRR Report currently states that the operational range area originally identified in the August 2002 Closed, Transferring, and Transferred (CTT) Range Inventory Report has increased, but fails to provide justification for the increase.

- (2) If available, please include additional details associated with the explosion that occurred on one of the dredges working the channels in the vicinity of Cape Henry.
- (3) If available, please include additional details associated with the mine fields and their removal following World War II.
- (4) Please indicate if there are any land masses (i.e. islands) known to exist in the Inner Coastal Defense Range munitions response site (MRS).

Please contact me at (804) 698-4125 or [wsmith@deq.virginia.gov](mailto:wsmith@deq.virginia.gov) with any additional questions.

Sincerely,



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