

Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

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January 11, 1994

Mr. Christopher Bartku, Code 1862
Commanding Officer
Southern Division
Naval Facilities Engineering Command
North Charleston, South Carolina 29419-9010

RE: Naval Industrial Reserve Ordnance Plant (NIROP)

Dear Mr. Bartku:

I am writing to you to follow up on two issues that were discussed at the NIROP Technical Review Committee (TRC) meeting of November 18, 1993. The first issue is the interest of the city of Fridley (Fridley) in the effluent from the future NIROP ground water treatment system as a possible drinking water source for Fridley. As you are aware, I suggested that Fridley send the Navy a letter requesting technical information that would assist Fridley in determining whether Fridley wanted to further pursue negotiations with Navy for the effluent. Fridley followed through with this suggestion and wrote you such a letter on November 24, 1994. To date, I have not been copied on correspondence from you responding to this letter.

The second issue involves application for an NPDES permit for the effluent from the long-term ground water treatment facility. At the TRC meeting, I requested a schedule for beginning design of the facility including identification of the earliest date that the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit will be needed. I also suggested that the Navy write a letter to Caroline Voelkers of the MPCA's Division of Water Quality emphasizing the importance to the Navy of the MPCA staff's processing of the NPDES permit application. To date I have not received any of the above information and Caroline Voelkers has not received further correspondence from the Navy.

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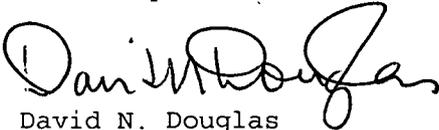
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Please let me know how I may be of further assistance to you in resolving these issues as I am concerned that not resolving them quickly may unnecessarily delay progress in the cleanup of the site.

Please inform me in writing by January 21, 1994, what the Navy's plans are for addressing all of the above-cited issues.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me at (612) 296-7818.

Sincerely,



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cc: Scott Erickson, City of Fridley
Thomas Bloom, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region V