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Engineering Field Activity, Midwest  
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Re: Navy Responses to Comments on the  
Draft Proposed Plan for Site 1 – Golf  
Course Landfill and Site 4 – Fire Fighting  
Training Unit, Naval Station Great Lakes  
Great Lakes, Illinois

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Great Lakes Naval Station  
Superfund/Technical

Dear Mr. Hickey:

The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Illinois EPA or Agency) is in receipt of the Navy's responses to Agency comments on the *Draft Proposed Plan for Site 1 – Golf Course Landfill and Site 4 – Fire Fighting Training Unit, Naval Station Great Lakes*. They were dated June 2009 and were received via electronic mail on July 6, 2009. Along with those responses was a pdf file showing the revisions to the Proposed Plan as noted in the responses. The Agency has reviewed the Navy's responses and the accompanying file and has the following additional comments.

- 1) **Page 4** – In the last paragraph prior to “What Do You Think?” suggest removing the words “and seal it” as they are redundant.
- 2) **Page 5** – The second bulleted point under “Why is Remedial Action Needed?” should conclude ...in accordance with the applicable or relevant and appropriate regulations. In addition, the last sentence of that section should also conclude ...and to meet applicable or relevant and appropriate landfill closure requirements.
- 3) **Page 6** – In the second paragraph under Component 3: Monitoring, it states that groundwater samples and surface water samples “...would be collected on a semi-annual basis” and “After 2 years, recommendations to reduce the number of analytical parameters and the sampling frequency may be made.” That is not what was written in

the Focused Feasibility Study or the draft version of this Proposed Plan. It is also not what the Agency agreed upon. This section should be revised back to what was written in the draft version, which was for samples to be collected on a quarterly basis with any recommendations for a reduction in parameters or frequency not occurring until 5 years have passed. This is in accordance with Title 35 Illinois Administrative Code 811.319.

- 4) **General Comment** – There are several spelling and grammatical errors within the Proposed Plan. Please review and revise as necessary.

If you have any questions regarding anything in this letter or require any additional information, please contact me at (217) 557-8155 or by electronic mail at [Brian.Conrath@illinois.gov](mailto:Brian.Conrath@illinois.gov).

Sincerely,



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