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LETTER AND THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT
COMMENTS ON THE SITE INVESTIGATION REPORT AT THE NAVAL EXCHANGE
SERVICE STATION, BUILDING 1286, CODDINGTON POINT NS NEWPORT RI
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June 2, 2014

Mr. Christopher Murray
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Re: Naval Exchange Service Station, Building 1286, Coddington Point, NAVSTA Newport, RI
(UST Facility ID: 3251, LUST Case No.: LS-2295)

Dear Mr. Murray:

The Underground Storage Tank (UST) Management Program has reviewed a "*Site Investigation Report*" for the above-referenced facility, which was received on February 24, 2014 and was prepared by Resolution Consultants. Based on the results of this report along with the environmental specifics of the site, the UST Management Program is not requiring any further environmental action at this site. The site's status as a Leaking Underground Storage Tank ("LUST") site will be changed from "active" to "inactive" for Department purposes only. The LUST file will remain on-record at the Department and will be available for public review.

Neither the Department's decision to halt further remedial work nor its deactivation of the site's LUST status should be construed as a determination by the Department that the site is "clean" or otherwise free of petroleum or other contaminants. Contaminated soil and/or groundwater may still be present in the or around the area known to have been impacted by the release. Any contaminated soil or groundwater that may be encountered as a result of future excavation, trenching, grading or drilling activities in or near the area impacted by the release must be managed in accordance with RIDEM's *Oil Pollution Control Regulations* and *Solid Waste Regulations*. The Department of Environmental Management reserves the right to require additional investigation and/or remediation if contamination attributable to this site is discovered in the future or if the land use changes.

The groundwater monitor wells that are no longer in use must be closed in accordance with Section 8, Appendix 1 of RIDEM's *Groundwater Quality Rules* (June 2010). Please advise the Department in writing when the monitor wells have been closed. If you wish to retain access to any monitor wells, please notify the Department in writing of the purpose for which the wells are to be retained.

If you have any questions, please contact the undersigned at (401) 222-2797, extension 7121.

Sincerely,

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