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Re: Second Five-year Review for the Naval Education and Training Center
Superfund Site

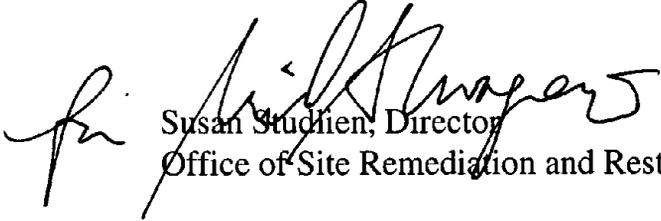
Dear Mr. Frye:

Thank you for the opportunity to review the *Five-Year Review for Naval Station Newport, Newport, Rhode Island*, dated December 2004. Upon review, EPA concurs with the findings that the remedies that have been implemented at the McAllister Point Landfill and Tanks 53 and 56 are protective of human health and the environment. EPA also agrees that we will review the protectiveness of the selected remedies for the sites currently under investigation (Tank Farms 1 through 5; Building 32 at Gould Island; the Old Fire Fighting Training Area; the Coddington Cove Rubble Fill Area; and the Naval Undersea Systems Center Disposal Area) in subsequent five-year reviews.

EPA reviewed the document for compliance with the Comprehensive Five-Year Review Guidance (OSWER No. 9355.7-03B-P dated June 2001). The report includes five-year reviews for the McAllister Point Landfill (Site 01)- Source Control Operable Unit and Tank Farm Five - Tanks 53 and 56 (Site 13) - Groundwater Containment Operable Unit. This statutory review for these sites is consistent with the guidance provided in the OSWER directives. For those operable units that are still in the investigation phase, EPA is pleased to see the Navy reiterate its commitment to continuing the CERCLA process in accordance with the Federal Facilities Agreement. Access is restricted at most of the sites that have not yet been remediated to minimize potential threats to human health.

This second five-year review requirement was prompted by the first five-year review (completed on December 27, 1999) that was prompted by the remedial action start for the McAllister Point Landfill. Consistent with Section 121(c) of the CERCLA, the next five-year review must be finalized on or before December 27, 2009.

Sincerely,



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