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RE: *comments to:*
Draft Final Proposed Plan
Old Fire Fighter Training Area, Naval Station Newport, Newport, Rhode Island

Dear Ms. Johnson:

The Office of Waste Management at the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management has conducted a review of the *Draft Final Proposed Plan*, dated June 2010 for Site 9- Old Fire Fighter Training Area, Naval Station Newport, located in Newport, Rhode Island. As a result of this review, this Office has generated the attached comments on the Draft final Proposed Plan. Please be advised that this Office will pursue whatever means necessary to ensure these comments are addressed satisfactorily.

If you have any questions, in regards to this letter, please contact me at (401) 222-2797, extension 7148 or by e-mail at gary.jablonski@dem.ri.gov.

Sincerely,

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Draft Final Proposed plan
Site 9- Old Fire Fighter Training Area, Naval Station Newport
Newport, Rhode Island
Dated June 2010

Office of Waste Management's Comments:

1. Page 5, Figure 2- Site Conditions.

This figure has changed from the previous draft version. Please update/extend the limits of the Site Conditions to what is presented in the Feasibility Study Report. The eastern boundary should extend beyond location B-1.

2. Page 10, Summary of Cleanup Alternatives, Soil Alternative 4: 1st paragraph, 1st sentence.

"Soil Alternative 4 would contain the contaminated soils with a permeable asphalt/soil cover."

As per the attached written email correspondence dated 3 February 2010, from Nina Johnson (NAVFAC) to Matthew DeStefano (RIDEM), states the following: *"As discussed this afternoon, Navy agrees to address subsurface TPH contamination that exceeds 2500 mg/kg in two locations: B-9 and SB-512. The TPH contamination in those two locations shall be addressed either by removal, stabilization, or by covering by impermeable surface such as asphalt."* Please change the text in this section from *"permeable asphalt/soil cover"* to *"removal, stabilization and/or an impermeable asphalt cover"* as per agreed upon by Nina and Matthew on 3 February 2010.

3. Page 10, Summary of Cleanup Alternatives, Soil Alternative 4: 1st bullet.

"The area north of Taylor Drive would be covered by geotextile and two feet of clean soil."

Please refer to comment 2 mentioned above. Locations B-9 and SB-512 that are referenced in the email above are both located north of Taylor Drive. Please modify the above sentence and the sentence on page 11, Evaluation of Alternatives, Preferred Alternative for Soil, 1st bullet to reflect the agreement between Nina and Matthew.