

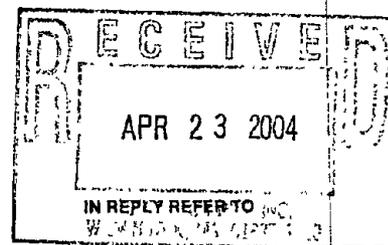
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Dear Ms. Keckler/ Mr. Kulpa:

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR EXTENSION, REMEDIAL INVESTIGATION WORK PLAN  
SITE 17, GOULD ISLAND, NAVAL STATION NEWPORT, NEWPORT  
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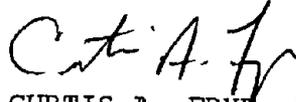
This letter is in regards to a request for an extension to the scheduled submittals for a) the response to comments to the Draft Final Remedial Investigation (RI) Work Plan and b) the Final RI Work Plan for the site referenced above. In our previous letter of April 1, 2004, we expressed our intent to meet with EPA and RIDEM and hold technical discussions (scheduled for April 8, 2004) before determining a date for responses to comments. By letter of April 6, 2004, the EPA indicated that a specific length of extension request was necessary before the request could be considered. Based on the productive meeting held by the Navy, EPA, RIDEM, and NOAA on April 8, 2004, we are preparing responses to comments which will be provided by May 5, 2004, and we therefore request an extension to that date.

Based on a 45 day review time by EPA and RIDEM on our responses to comments, and 30 days to revise the Work Plan, we will plan on submitting the Final RI Work Plan by July 19, 2004. If the comment period is shorter than 45 days and/or the comments are relatively minor, we will be able to submit the Final RI Work Plan earlier.

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If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (610) 595-0567 extension 142.

Sincerely,



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By direction of the  
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