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LETTER REQUESTING REVISED ASSESSMENT ENDPOINT POSITION PAPERS FOR
INCLUSION IN THE DRAFT FINAL ECOLOGICAL RISK ASSESSMENT NSY PORTSMOUTH
ME
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KITTEERY, ME

Dear Ms. Cassidy:

The Navy is currently preparing the Revised Draft Final Ecological Risk Assessment for Portsmouth Naval Shipyard and we would like to include the assessment endpoint position papers prepared by the Region I Biological Technical Assistance Group (BTAG).

We are enclosing the most recent versions of the papers with annotations made during our last Ecorisk Workshop of Oct. 28-29, 1996 at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard. notes on corrections made during the construction of the weight-of-evidence scatter plots, and clarifications made as a result of verifying the outcomes with the ecorisk database and supplemental reports. The information on the enclosures was used in the weight-of-evidence analysis and risk characterization prepared for the revised ERA.

Your assistance is requested in having the authors review the enclosures to assure concurrence with the annotations and provide updated versions for inclusion for the Ecological Risk Assessment

If additional information is required, please contact Ms. Marty Raymond at 207-438-2536 or myself at 610-595-0567, x159.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Frederick J. Evans".

FREDERICK J. EVANS, P.E.
Remedial Project Manager
By direction of the
Commanding Officer

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Encl:

Pelagic Assessment Endpoint Paper, by Ken Finkelstein, dated 19
August 1996

(1) Epibenthic Assessment Endpoint Paper, by Patti Tyler, dated
October 15, 1996

(2) Benthic Assessment Endpoint Paper, by Patti Tyler, dated
October 15, 1996

(3) Eelgrass Assessment Endpoint Paper, by Patty Whittemore,
dated September 12, 1996

(4) Salt Marsh Assessment Endpoint Paper, by Patty Whittemore,
Latest Version, October 1996

(5) Avian Assessment Endpoint Paper, by Ken Munney, received
September 30, 1996

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