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LETTER REGARDING MAINE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
COMMENTS ON PROPOSED DESIGN SCHEDULE FOR OPERABLE UNIT 3 (OU 3) NSY
PORTSMOUTH ME
5/15/2001
MAINE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION



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re: Proposed Design Schedule, OU3, Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, Kittery, Maine

Dear Fred:

The Maine Department of Environmental Protection has reviewed the schedule referenced above. The Department's comments follow.

General Comment

1. In addition to this construction schedule the MEDEP believes that a separate, much faster schedule is necessary and warranted for the institutional controls. We also believe an interim schedule for maintaining existing erosion controls is warranted.
2. The field work and geotechnical analysis (Line 17) is scheduled to start on May 16, 2001, before the date for Regulatory/RAB receipt of the Draft Workplan (6/4/01). Likewise, mobilization for field work is scheduled to start on 8/3/01 yet the field work, as stated above, is scheduled to start 5/16/01. We presume that if the start date for field work is in error then the dates for the tasks following it are also in error. Please clarify.
3. The duration for Remedial Design (482 days) seems excessively long. Is this due to the additional factors regarding remediation of OU3, i.e. erosion control, removal of waste, possible wetlands construction, etc.?

Please feel free to contact me at (207) 287-8010 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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