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LETTER AND NO FURTHER COMMENTS FROM U S EPA REGION I REGARDING DRAFT
FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR OPERABLE UNIT 2 (OU 2) NSY PORTSMOUTH ME
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Re: ***Responses to Comments, Draft Feasibility Study, OU2, Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, Kittery, Maine.***

Dear Ms. Cole:

I have reviewed the subject document prepared by Tetra Tech NUS, Inc, on behalf of the Navy. Numerous comments and responses focus on the Navy's characterization of contaminated sediments in the immediate offshore and the interpretation of said. EPA, while remaining unconvinced of the Navy's interpretation, believes that the proposed monitoring satisfies the need to address the potential risk associated with contaminated sediments and migration as well as shoreline integrity. EPA has no further technical comments on the document.

EPA legal comments will follow under separate cover.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at audet.matthew@epa.gov or 617.918.1449.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Matthew R. Audet".

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