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LETTER REGARDING MAINE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
APPROVAL OF TIME EXTENSION REQUEST FOR SITE 30 REMOVAL ACTION WORK
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Attn: Linda Cole

re: Request for time extension on the Site 30 Removal Action Work Plan, Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, Kittery, Maine.

Dear Linda,

The Maine Department of Environmental Protection has reviewed the time extension request referenced above.

This request is for a time extension of 11 weeks, from Jan. 17, 2011 to April 4, 2011, for submittal of the Draft Removal Action Work Plan for Site 30 (Building 184). The purpose is to provide additional time to determine how best to remove existing welding equipment within the building in order to access the tank vault and to document the contents of the vault by means of a photographic survey as requested by the Maine State Historic Preservation Office.

The MEDEP recognizes that delay of the schedule does not impact human health or the environment and therefore we support the Navy's extension request. However, we expect that the Navy will continue to prevent contact with any acidic crystals that may form in Building 184 using appropriate covers, barricades, etc.

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

Sincerely,

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