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LETTER AND CONCURRENCE FROM STATE OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION REGARDING SAMPLING PROPOSAL OPERABLE UNIT 4
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Subject: RE: OU4 Sampling Proposal
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Liz/Bryan,

MEDEP agrees with this plan. Let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,

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> -----Original Message-----

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> Subject: OU4 Sampling Proposal
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> Iver and Matt,
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> This fiscal year we anticipate finalizing the ROD for OU4. The current
> schedule for
> finalizing the OU4 ROD is June 2013. The Proposed Plan recommends removing
> sediment within four areas (MS-01, MS-03, MS-04, and MS-12) with COCs at
> levels
> of unacceptable ecological risk and no further action for the remaining 10
> areas
> (MS-02, MS-05 through MS-11, MS-13, and MS-14).
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> As part of the Interim Offshore Monitoring Program (based on the Revision 1
> of
> the plan, November 2010), the Navy currently performs sampling to assess the
> presence/levels of sediment contamination and to determine if levels are

> increasing from sources on base (as required by the interim ROD) until a
> final
> remedy is implemented for OU4. The sampling events are scheduled to occur
> in
> the Spring. However the timeframe for the final round of sampling (Round
> 12) and
> the Final ROD are very close, and all parties are in agreement that removing
> the
> contaminated sediment in four areas and no further action for the other
> areas is the
> appropriate remedy selection.
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> While we know the general areas for removal, the precise boundaries have not
> been defined. Additional sampling would be very beneficial, allowing the
> Navy to
> better identify the boundaries for removal. Changing the sediment sample
> locations for the final round of sampling to focus on the four areas to be
> removed
> will provide this benefit, while utilizing funding in an efficient manner
> and still
> meeting the intent of the interim ROD.
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> If you both agree to this plan, the Navy will begin working on the revised
> sampling
> plan, with a tentative sampling date in Spring 2013.
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> Please let me know your opinions on this plan.
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