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Re: Draft Record of Decision for Site 44 – Soak Out Area, Naval Surface Warfare Center,
Indian Head, September 2000

Dear Mr. Jorgensen:

Enclosed are comments from the Federal Facilities Section of the Maryland Department of the Environment's Waste Management Administration on the above-referenced document.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (410) 631-3791.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

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Comments on:

Draft Record of Decision for Site 44 – Soak Out Area, Naval Surface
Warfare Center, Indian Head, September 2000

Specific Comments

1. Section 2.3, page 2-2, first paragraph, first sentence
This sentence states that the Remedial Investigation (RI) and Proposed Plan (PP) documents for Site 44 were made available to the public on the same date. This is not factual. The final RI was sent to the public repository in July 1999 and the Final PP is due to be sent to the public repository in March 2001. Please correct this oversight in the final document.
OK
2. Section 2.3, page 2-2, first paragraph, third sentence
This sentence states that the notice of availability for the Site 44 RI and PP was published in the *Maryland Independent* and the *LaPlata – Indian Head Independent* on the same date. This is not factual. Please change this sentence to reflect the actual publication dates.
OK
3. Section 2.3, page 2-2, first paragraph, fourth sentence
This sentence should be revised to read "...comment period for the Proposed Plan was held from...."
OK