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LETTER AND THE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT CONCURRENCE
OF THE FINAL RECORD OF DECISION SITE 47 MERCURIC NITRATE DISPOSAL AREA
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RE: Final Record of Decision, Site 47 – Mercuric Nitrate Disposal Area, Naval Support Facility
Indian Head, September 2012

Dear Mr. Rail:

The Federal Facilities Division (FFD) of the Maryland Department of the Environment's Land Restoration Program has completed its review of the above referenced document. This Record of Decision documents the Navy's selected remedy for Site 47 – Mercuric Nitrate Disposal Area, which is located in the Restricted Area of Naval Support Facility Indian Head. The selected remedy is "source area treatment using *in situ* chemical oxidation, monitored natural attenuation, and institutional controls." The selected remedy is based upon the human health and ecological risk assessments performed during the Remedial Investigation. The remedy selected by the Navy is in compliance with the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act.

A public meeting was held on April 12, 2012 to present the findings in the Proposed Plan. No written comments were received during the public comment period. Based upon the acceptable level of protection to human health and the environment provided by the remedy, the FFD concurs with the Navy's selected remedy for Site 47.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (410) 537-3791.

Sincerely,

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