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LETTER REGARDING FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION  
COMMENTS ON REVISED RECORD OF DECISION FOR OPERABLE UNIT 9 (OU 9) SITE 57  
AND SITE 58  
1/4/2005  
FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE

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Dear Mr. Davidson:

I have reviewed the revised Record of Decision for Sites 57 and 58 that was revised by Steve Beverly with Southern Division Naval Facilities Engineering Command. The revised Record of Decision was received by e-mail on December 1 and 2, 2004. I reviewed the revisions to the Record of Decision in light of Steve Beverly's May 25, 2004 e-mail addressing Record of Decision provisions. I have the following comments on the revised Record of Decision:

- (1) The removal of the CERCLA Five Year Review as a component of the selected remedy is acceptable to the Department.
- (2) The contingency remedy as one component of the selected remedy. Because the selected remedy at Sites 57 and 58 includes monitoring for natural attenuation and because there is some inherent uncertainty about the ability of the selected remedy to achieve cleanup levels and furthermore, the estimated time to remediate Site 57 by natural attenuation is 18 years, the Department asks that Steve's wording in his May 25, 2004 e-mail be added to the Record of Decision in lieu of the contingency remedy. The wording would be:  
  
*"If it is later determined that the selected remedies for either Site 57 or Site 58 are ineffective for ensuring future protection of human health and the environment, then other remedial approaches will be evaluated and may be implemented."*
- (3) The other revisions to the Record of Decision do not appear to change the meaning and the Department accepts those revisions.

This electronic message is being sent in lieu of regular mail. If you have any questions concerning this review, please contact me at (850)245-8997.

Sincerely,

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