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LETTER FROM U S AIR FORCE REGARDING PLAN FOR THE DECONTAMINATION OF
EXCESSES EQUIPMENT NCBC GULFPORT MS
5/30/1985
U S AIR FORCE HEADQUARTERS



DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS AIR FORCE ENGINEERING AND SERVICES CENTER
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REPLY TO
ATTN OF: DEV

SUBJECT: Herbicide Orange Contamination of Excessed Equipment (Your Msg, 212145Z MAR 85)

TO: Commanding Officer
Naval Construction Battallion Center
Gulfport MS 39501-5000

1. We are developing a plan of action to decontaminate approximately 110 pieces of equipment currently staged in the area referenced in subject message. Air Force Defense Environmental Restoration Program (DERP) funds are being set aside for the project. We have received guidance from the Air Force Surgeon General (Atch 1) on the decontamination method and concur with their recommendations. The work is not common and a specific Statement of Work (SOW) must be prepared. Ecology and Environment, a contractor who has experience in dioxin sampling, was asked to identify areas of concern to be addressed in a SOW. Currently, we are addressing these areas to develop a clear, concise SOW.

2. The major obstacle to be addressed in the SOW is a clean certification requirement of decontaminated equipment. A sampling program should be initiated to ensure decontamination will produce clean vehicles. Air Force lawyers were asked to clarify contract wording to ensure the contractor would not assume unnecessary long-range liability. We also will ask for assistance from the Defense Property Disposal Region (DPDR) at Memphis, as recommended in the referenced message.

3. We will submit the SOW to you for approval prior to releasing the work to a contractor. If all problems can be solved quickly, we anticipate a completed SOW by mid-June 1985, Notice to Proceed in July 1985, and work completed in August 1985. You can assist us in developing the SOW by identifying any priorities for equipment decontamination.

4. We are aware of the importance of this project and will do our best to keep it on schedule.

FOR THE COMMANDER

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