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RE: Naval Construction Battalion Center, Gulfport, Mississippi

Dear Major Lubozynski:

It has come to our attention that after your meeting with the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (MSDEQ) all work was stopped on responding to EPA's comments on the risk assessment for Site #8 at the Naval Construction Battalion Center (NCBC). Since that time we have had a teleconference with the MSDEQ to discuss how to address the incinerator ash piles at NCBC under RCRA. Before either agency can make a decision on the final disposition of this unit we must have information regarding the risk posed by the ingestion of groundwater impacted by leachate from the ash independent of effects from the rest of the site.

Therefore, we request that you submit to EPA a risk assessment for the incinerator ash only. Additionally, please submit to MSDEQ a risk assessment for the remaining soil at Site #8. Each of these documents must address our previous comments on the Interim Draft Decision Document For The Remediation of Site #8 Former Herbicide Orange Storage Area At The Naval Construction Battalion Center, which were sent to you via Magnafax on December 7, 1989. Each document must be certified by a qualified geologist or geotechnical engineer to ensure that the groundwater issues at the site were adequately addressed.

If you have any questions, please call Beverly Foster of my staff, at (404) 347-3433.

Sincerely,

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Chief, RCRA Branch
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