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LETTER REGARDING A MEETING TO DISCUSS IMPORTANCE OF COMMUNITY  
PARTICIPATION AND NCBC ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION ACTIVITIES NCBC  
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Dear Ms. Brooks:

On Monday, August 29, concerned citizens of Gaston Point and central Gulfport will hold a meeting to discuss the importance of community participation in the Naval Construction Battalion Center's environmental restoration activities. We would be very grateful if you and Mr. Gordon Crane will share whatever information you may have regarding restoration advisory board development at the base. The meeting is scheduled for 7:00 p.m., Little Rock Baptist Church, 4538 15th Street, Gulfport, Mississippi. Reverend Lee Adams is pastor of the church.

Our network of community leaders in Gulfport is devoted to community education and assistance. We encourage the participation of community persons in environmental restoration activities, and provide environmental information to citizens that is not easily accessible. Xavier University, through a grant from the Environmental Protection Agency, is supporting our work.

We have been informed that the Naval Construction Battalion Center plans to broaden the scope of its technical review committee and establish a restoration advisory board. We are very concerned that members of the community who are most affected by the base's environmental and waste management activities be included as members of the board. These stakeholders include base neighbors, African Americans, and members of environmental, labor and civic organizations.

Our organization would also appreciate the opportunity of base neighbors and other community persons to discuss the base's Installation Restoration Program Community Relations Plan. We realize that the document has been finalized, but we don't agree that citizens who are most affected by the base's environmental restoration activities were given the opportunity to comment on the document. It is essential that the base's Community Relations Plan and other Installation Restoration Program studies reflect the local community's needs and concerns.

Thank you advance for joining us on August 29. If you have any questions regarding the meeting, please call me at the number listed above or (601) 863-3739. My home number is (601) 388-7617. We look forward to meeting with you and Mr. Crane.

Sincerely,

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