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MEETING MINUTES PROGRESS MEETING/TELECONFERENCE

Teleconference: October 28, 2002

Participants:

Art Conrad, IRP Manager, NAVFAC
Gordon Crane, EPM, NCBC Gulfport
Don Ficklen, Team Chief, AFCEE
David Evon, AFCEE\JA
Phillip Weathersby, Office of Pollution Control, MDEQ
Bob Merrill, Office of Pollution Control, MDEQ
David Hadden, GEITA Consultant, Portage Environmental
Jason Brown, Deputy Task Order Manager, Tetra Tech-NUS
Nancy Rouse, Public Relations Consultant

Objectives: Maintain an open dialog among the Navy, the Air Force and affected contractors on the restoration activities at Gulfport Site 8.

1. Final Responses to DD. Gordon and Mike will meet in the first week of January 2003 to finish the Responsiveness Summary. They will then furnish David H. a copy of the completed Summary to include in the next draft of the Decision Document (DD). Therefore, the target date for the final draft of the DD will be moved to January 15, 2003.

2. Community Sampling - Early Results.

- A total of sixteen off-base samples were collected in October 2003. Eleven sample results are pending analyses. All validated sample results should be available by mid to late December 2002.
- Five samples were analyzed on a priority basis - four of these sample results ranged from 0.2 to 2.0 parts per trillion (ppt) total dioxin TEQ. The other result, 9.7 ppt, exceeds the state residential standard of 4.3 ppt for dioxin in soil; however, the TCDD congener was not present in this sample. The 9.7 ppt sample was from the property between 50th and 51st Avenues right off of 28th Street where a developer wants to build an apartment complex.
- There was much discussion on how and when to inform the property owner of the elevated result. Jason will check on getting the 9.7 ppt result validated as soon as possible and will inform Gordon on his progress. Art will ensure that the NAVFAC lawyer, Steve Beverly, is apprised of this issue.

3. Edwards Consent Letter. Art briefly reviewed the Edwards' property issues to bring Bob Merrill and Phillip Weathersby (MDEQ) up to speed on the situation. Gordon and David met with Mr. Edwards last week and walked part of his property near his house to see his drainage problems first hand. Bob Fisher, Jason and three other Tt-NUS personnel also walked the property. It appears that Mr. Edwards will not sign the Consent Letter (i.e. a consent agreement allowing the Navy/USAF to enter and do work and/or investigations on his property) unless some drainage problems on his property are resolved. Jason's preliminary cost estimate indicates that about \$20,000 will be needed to do the drainage work. Art suggested that we look into having a local contractor do the work. Gordon will meet with Mr. Edwards to scope out the work that needs to be done. Art will bring Steve Beverly into the loop on this issue also.

4. Status of Projects:

- **Community Sampling.** Covered in paragraph 2, above.
- **Site 8 B/C Oversight.** The RAC contractor, CCI, dug out the ditches associated with Areas 8B and 8C, scraped the hot spots from Areas 8B and 8C, and placed the excavated material on Area A. Confirmation sample results are expected in about 2-3 weeks (i.e. about 11-18 November 2002).
- **Remedial Design (RD).** The RD kick-off meeting was held on 22 & 23 October 2002 at NCBC, Gulfport. Bob Mertz, lead engineer, went through a prepared agenda of actions that are expected to occur. The main issue that surfaced was the shift from a 4-inch thick asphalt cap to an 8-inch reinforced concrete cap. The estimated cost increase is roughly \$2.7 million. Tt-NUS will prepare some different cap design options before proceeding to the 30% design stage.
- **FS/Risk Amendments.** These two amendments will focus on evaluating ground water as a viable contamination and transport medium. The HHRA amendment will also provide responses to the EPA comments on the original (March 2001) risk assessment document for Site 8.. There will be two separate documents produced - no estimated completion date has been established for either one.
- **Edwards Road Repair.** Discussed in paragraph 3, above. The road repair work will not begin until we have a signed consent letter from Mr. Edwards.

5. Next RAB/Tier I. The date for the next RAB meeting is now fixed as January 9, 2003 starting at 6:30 PM. A Tier I meeting will be implemented for NCBC and the first meeting is set to start on January 8, 2003 (at 1:00 PM) and finish on January 9, 2003 (9:00 AM to about 3:00 PM). Art will develop the list of invited attendees and e-mail them the prospective agenda. The Air Force, as a matter of policy, will only attend those Tier I meetings that have Site 8 items on the agenda. The Air Force does intend to have a relatively large presence at the first meeting.

6. Other Issues Discussed. None.

7. Future Conference Calls: Scheduled for November 18 and December 9, 2002.

The next teleconference is scheduled for Monday, November 11, 2002 at 1400 EST (1300 CST). Art will send prospective participants an outline of the issues to be discussed.

Original signed
David Hadden
Recorder