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Re: Naval Activity Puerto Rico (former Naval Station Roosevelt Roads) - EPA I.D. Number  
PRD2170027203

1. SWMU 14 - Revised RCRA Facility Investigation (RFI) Work Plan
2. SWMU 9 - Revised Final Steps 3b and 4 of Baseline Ecological Risk Assessment
3. SWMU 45 - Final Additional Data Collection Report and Screening Level Ecological Risk Assessment and Step 3A of Baseline Ecological Risk Assessment.

Dear Mr. Cloe:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 2 has completed its review of the above documents which were submitted on behalf of the Navy by Baker Environmental's letters of December 29, 2005, and January 10 and January 11, 2006, respectively. As part of our review, EPA requested our contractor, Booz Allen Hamilton, to review the documents. Based on Booz Allen's and our own reviews, EPA has determined the following:

SWMU 14 - Response to Comments and revised RFI Work Plan

The Responses to Comments and the December 29, 2005 Final RFI work plan are acceptable. Implementation of the Final RFI work plan should commence pursuant to the schedule given in Figure 7-1 of the RFI work plan, or, if additional time is required, no later than 60 calendar days from today's date, as required by the 1994 RCRA permit.

SWMU 9 - Revised Final Steps 3b and 4 of Baseline Ecological Risk Assessment (BERA)

The January 10, 2006 Revised Final Steps 3b and 4 of the BERA is acceptable. Completion of

the remaining steps of the SWMU 9 ecological risk assessment should proceed pursuant to the schedule given in Figure 7-1 of the January 10, 2006 Revised Final BERA.

SWMU 45 - Final Additional Data Collection Report and Screening Level Ecological Risk Assessment and Step 3A of Baseline Ecological Risk Assessment (Step 3A Report)

The January 11, 2006 Step 3A Report is acceptable. EPA concurs with the conclusions and recommendations made in Section 5.0 of the Step 3A Report that the constituent PCB Aroclor-1260 should be carried on to Step 3b of the baseline ecological risk assessment (BERA) and that additional evaluation of the West Indian manatee and sea turtles (an aquatic reptile) should be performed during Step 3b of the BERA. However, a schedule was not included with the Step 3A Report for completing the SWMU 45 ecological risk assessment. Therefore, within 30 days of your receipt of this letter, please submit a schedule for completing the SWMU 45 ecological risk assessment, including submission of a draft final report to EPA.

If you have any questions, please telephone me at (212) 637- 4167.

Sincerely yours,



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