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REVISED DRAFT FINAL REMEDIAL ACTION PLAN/RECORD OF DECISION FOR MARSH CRUST AND GROUNDWATER AT THE FLEET AND INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY CENTER OAKLAND, ALAMEDA FACILITY/ALAMEDA ANNEX AND FOR MARSH CRUST AND THE FORMER SUBTIDAL AREA AT ALAMEDA POINT (OCTOBER 2, 2000)

Dear Mr. Ocampo:

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) has reviewed the Revised Draft Final Remedial Action Plan/Record of Decision (RAP/ROD) for the Marsh Crust and Groundwater at the Fleet and Industrial Supply Center, Oakland Alameda Facility/Alameda Annex and for the Marsh Crust and Former Subtidal Area at Alameda Point, Alameda, California, (October 2, 2000).

To resolve any uncertainty as to the scope of the decision being memorialized in this document, we request that text in Section 1.4 (Description of the Selected Remedy) be changed as follows (text changes in **bold underline** font):

"The selected remedy is the final, comprehensive remedial action to address the marsh crust and shallow groundwater at Alameda Facility/Alameda Annex and to address only the marsh crust and former subtidal area at Alameda Point. **This is not a final decision document for any specific parcel or group of parcels at either facility. Final decision documents for specific parcels or groups of parcels will be prepared in the future to address any required remedies for soil at Alameda Facility/Alameda Annex. and soil and groundwater at Alameda Point.**"

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This version of the document provides the DTSC's first opportunity to review the complete Responsiveness Summary. We have the following comments:

1. Response to Comment #7 (page 5 of 11): The word "Response" is out of place.
2. Response to Comment #9 (page 7 of 11): The first sentence of the last paragraph of the response reads, "With respect to the 'hydro-chloride' odors CRC mentioned, the Navy believes that reference to hydrocarbon odors were abbreviated as 'HC' in boring logs reviewed by CRC and that the abbreviation was incorrectly transcribed as hydrochloride in the RI report." DTSC provided detailed information about the "hydro-chloride" concern in our comments of September 1, 2000. This information has not been correctly incorporated into the response. Contrary to what is stated in this response, the phrase "hydro-chloride" does appear on the boring logs which are included as an appendix to the RI report. It is likely that the transcription problem occurred in the step between the field logs and the computer-generated logs which are contained in the RI report. The first sentence of the last paragraph of the response should be corrected. The second sentence is acceptable as it is written.
3. Response to Comment #10 (page 8 of 11): The next-to-last paragraph of the response states in the last sentence, "The RAP/ROD will be revised to state that groundwater monitoring for contaminants will be allowed." It is not clear that this modification has been made, if it is even necessary. This sentence would be more accurate as follows: "The RAP/ROD specifically states that groundwater monitoring for contaminants is required to ensure contaminants do not move offsite."
4. The name of the commenter is not concealed on the first "We want to hear from you" card.
5. Mailing List: Please provide an updated version of the mailing list, which includes the names of commenters from Alameda, Castro Valley, and U.S. Geological Survey Biological Resources Division. An electronic version in mailing-label format is acceptable.

We anticipate that incorporation of these changes into the final version will result in a document that DTSC will be prepared to sign. Please provide corrected replacement pages for the document in hand.

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Please contact me at (510) 540-3767 if you have any questions regarding this letter.

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