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April 11, 1990  
File #2199.9080A

REGARDING: West Beach Landfill and 1943-1956 Disposal Area.

Dear Captain Boennighausen:

As you may be aware, the West Beach and 1943-1956 Disposal sites at Naval Air Station-Alameda are subject to regulation under the California Water Code as sites where toxic and solid wastes were disposed which may affect beneficial uses of surface and groundwater. Specifically, Section 13273 of the Water Code requires "operators" of solid waste landfills to submit a "Water Quality Assessment Test" (SWAT) to an applicable Regional Water Quality Control Board. The SWAT legislation required the installation and monitoring of perimeter groundwater monitoring wells in an effort to determine if hazardous waste constituents have "leaked" from the landfill. In 1986, all solid waste landfills in California were ranked by the State Water Resources Control Board. The NAS-Alameda landfills were placed in the second rank which resulted in a SWAT report deadline of July 1, 1988.

In December of 1988, staff of the Regional Board approved the Navy's SWAT proposal and through discussion with representatives, had anticipated completion of a SWAT report by this May. However, recent discussions with Ms. Bella Dizon of Western Facilities Engineering Command, Mr. Randy Cate of NAS-Alameda Facility Management Office, and Mr. Mark Malinoski of the State Department of Health Services have brought to our attention the fact that the Navy has not yet begun field work (well installation, etc) necessary for the SWAT. In fact the Navy does not plan to begin well installation at the landfills until February of 1991 and does not anticipate completion of the SWAT before September of 1992 (phase 5-6 of Western Division's proposed project schedule).

According to Ms. Dizon, the delays are "contractual" in nature and are the result of a change in consultants. In that the Navy's consultants will be installing wells and sampling at other areas of the Base this spring and summer, and given the fact that at least one full year of monitoring will be required for the SWAT to be meaningful, further delays in SWAT implementation are unwarranted. Thus, I am requesting that the Navy implement the SWAT immediately and concurrently with other phases of the remedial investigation.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Tom Gandesbery at (415) 464-0841.

Sincerely,



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From: Commanding Officer, Naval Air Station, Alameda  
To: Commander, Western Division, Naval Facilities  
Engineering Command (Code 1813BD)

Subj: AIR QUALITY SOLID WASTE ASSESSMENT TEST

Ref: (a) Phoncon R. Cate (NAS Alameda Code 52)/B. Dizon  
(WESTNAVFACENCOM Code 1813BD)  
(b) NAS Alameda ltr 5090 Ser OLE/X1416 of 22 Dec 1988

1. This is in response to the request of reference (a) to clarify the total quantity of hazardous and municipal waste in the 1943-1956 Landfill and the West Beach Landfill. An Air Quality Solid Waste Assessment Test is being planned for these two locations at Naval Air Station (NAS) Alameda.

2. The types of waste disposed of at each of the landfills included municipal waste and hazardous waste. The total quantities of wastes disposed of in these two landfills were identified in reference (b), which is our most up to date and accurate information. The quantities of waste listed for each landfill include both hazardous and municipal waste, excluding a 20% estimated quantity of inert material. The quantities of waste are given as follows:

<u>1943-1956 Landfill</u>	<u>West Beach Landfill</u>
15,000-160,000 Tons	262,481 Tons (1958-1968)
	531,715 Tons (1969-1978)
	Total: 794,196 Tons

Total quantity of waste for both landfills: 956,196 Tons

3. The NAS Alameda point of contact is R. Cate, Code 52, at AV 993-3716 or commercial (415) 263-3716.

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