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**REQUIREMENTS FOR DISCHARGE OF GROUNDWATER TO SAN
FRANCISCO BAY - ALAMEDA POINT**

Dear Mr. Kikugawa:

The purpose of this letter is to advise you of certain requirements that the Navy must meet prior to commencing work on the radiological remedial activity at IR Sites 1, 2, 5, and 10, at Alameda Point (former Alameda Naval Air Station). In several recent conversations with representatives of or contractors for the Navy, the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) has become aware of inconsistencies between the proposed management of water generated in cleanup excavation trenches and the actual requirements for water discharge management as we understand them.

Specifically, in order for DTSC to concur with or otherwise approve the proposed remedial activity, the Navy must meet all administrative and substantive requirements of the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board for trench dewatering discharges to the San Francisco Bay. This may involve securing a National Pollution Discharge Elimination System permit, or a specific written determination on the part of the Regional Board that such a permit is not necessary. Even if a permit is determined to be unnecessary, the Navy will still need to secure specific requirements and limitations on such discharges from the Regional Board, and incorporate them into your project plan.

I have sent a letter to the Regional Board, requesting that they expedite their evaluation of their requirements applicable to this project. They have

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been advised of your schedule, and of the types of contaminants that are present in the soil from which the water will be derived. However, it is also your responsibility to send a request for the Regional Board's requirements directly to them.

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Mary Rose Cassa at (510)540-3814.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "D E Murphy". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

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