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Subject: Comments on the Draft Post-Remediation Site Management Plan, Former Naval Exchange Service Station, Corrective Action Area 7, Alameda Point, Alameda, California

Dear Mr. Macchiarella:

Upon review of the above mentioned document, dated February 6, 2007, we have the following comments:

General

1. Throughout the document there is discussion mentioning that the groundwater beneath the site is not considered a potential source of drinking water. In order for a groundwater aquifer to be exempted from consideration as a potential drinking water, it must be shown to meet the exception criteria as presented in State Board Resolution 88-63, and the Water Board must approve the exemption. To my knowledge, the Navy has not yet presented appropriate data to suggest that an exemption from the drinking water beneficial use designation is appropriate at this site; therefore we still consider the groundwater underlying CAA-7 to be a potential drinking water source. If the Navy believes an exemption may be appropriate at this site, please provide the necessary information (e.g. TDS, yield, existing uses) prior to reissuance of the draft final document. Otherwise, please revise the document to ensure that all sections refer to the groundwater underlying CAA-7 to be a potential drinking water source.

Specific

1. Section 5.3, Page 5.4, Last Paragraph – This paragraph mentions that the highest concentration of TTPH in the sidewalls of the southern part of the excavation was 390 mg/kg. In Figure 13, this value is associated with sample# EXCAV-7-32, which is located in the middle of the excavation area and not near the sidewalls. Please resolve this typo, and discuss how this change may impact any conclusions drawn in this report.

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2. Section 6.0, Page 6-1, last sentence – This sentence infers that the future use of the site is currently unknown. As this is not the case, please provide discussion of current proposed land uses for this area.

Please contact me at (510) 622-2355 or email ersimon@waterboards.ca.gov if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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