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NAVY'S PROPOSED PLAN FOR OPERABLE UNIT 2B

INSTALLATION RESTORATION PROGRAM

SITES 3, 4, 11, 21

ALAMEDA POINT/FORMER NAVAL AIR STATION ALAMEDA

REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF MEETING

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A T T E N D E E S

FACILITATOR/PRESENTER:

DEREK ROBINSON - United States Navy

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CONTRACTORS, REGULATORS, U.S. NAVY

MARY PARKER - United States Navy

PETER STANG - Trevet

KAREN TOTH - Department of Toxic Substances Control

TOMMIE JEAN VALMASSY - Tetra Tech

JOHN WEST - San Francisco Bay Regional Water

Quality Control Board

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ATTENDEES [Cont.] :

PUBLIC AUDIENCE

STEVE BACHOFER

MIKE CHOY

GRETCHEN LIPOW

KINGSLEY MCGOWAN

KEN PETERSON (Commenter)

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1 ALAMEDA, CALIFORNIA, WEDNESDAY, MAY 15, 2013, 6:33 P.M.

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3 MR. DEREK ROBINSON: Welcome, everyone. My  
4 name is Derek Robinson. I'm the BRAC environmental  
5 coordinator for Alameda Point. I'm the Navy  
6 representative. Thank you all for coming.

7 We do have a couple other regulatory agency  
8 members here today. We have John West -- you raise your  
9 hand -- Karen Toth.

10 And then from the Navy, we have Mary Parker,  
11 and we have two contractors with the Navy today. We  
12 have Pete Stang, Tommie Jean Valmassy, and then we also  
13 have the court reporter Christine.

14 Where we are in the process right now is we've  
15 looked at all the information. We have looked -- We  
16 have analyzed the data. We have evaluated alternatives,  
17 and we have come out with a Proposed Plan for this  
18 area.

19 Today's meeting is specifically to get comments  
20 from the public on our plan -- if you like it, you do  
21 not like it -- and to give you information so that you  
22 can make those comments.

23 At this point in time, we're going to go off  
24 the record, and it's a poster board session. Feel free  
25 to look around at the different poster boards. Ask

1 questions.

2           If there's any key questions that are asked  
 3 during your -- feel free to write those on these boards,  
 4 and we'll go back at the end of the -- at the end of the  
 5 session, if you see in the agenda, and go over those  
 6 questions for the whole group to make sure everybody  
 7 hears what -- you know, the more important questions to  
 8 you.

9           Otherwise, you can make comments during -- oral  
 10 comments during this meeting at any point in time.  
 11 Please come right up to Christine at the court  
 12 reporter's desk, or you can write your comments down and  
 13 turn them in to Miss Tommie Jean Valmassy.

14           Thank you all.

15                       *(Whereupon, poster board session at*  
 16                       *6:35 p.m.; comment at 6:48 p.m.)*

17                                       COMMENT

18 BY GEORGE HUMPHREYS:

19           My name is George Humphreys. I'm a member of  
 20 the Restoration Advisory Board, registered engineer in  
 21 California, and a member of the State Bar. I practiced  
 22 engineering for over 40 years working for a large  
 23 architect engineering construction company in Oakland.  
 24 I've worked on hazardous waste disposal, sanitary  
 25 landfills, nuclear power plants, water desalting plants,

1 and waste energy plants.

2 My questions are, one, Does the 1.6 million  
3 savings achieved by using institutional controls for  
4 cobalt and hexavalent chromium include demolition of the  
5 buildings overlying these areas of soil contamination?

6 Two, Does treatment with zero-valent iron leave  
7 hydrocarbons in the groundwater?

8 Three, Has the potential combustion, slash,  
9 explosion hazard from gases like ethylene and methane  
10 been considered?

11 My comments are, one, major seismic events may  
12 agitate volatile and dense nonaqueous-phase liquids in  
13 the groundwater and bring them to either the surface --  
14 either the groundwater surface or the ground surface.

15 Two, the cobalt and hexavalent chromium should  
16 be excavated and disposed of off site. Otherwise, the  
17 cost of institutional controls will go on indefinitely,  
18 not just for 30 years. Also, there is the problem of  
19 possible mobilization and migration of these  
20 contaminants away from the protective cover of the floor  
21 slabs.

22 Three, the site probably will not be suitable  
23 for residential development. People should not be asked  
24 to live in a hermetically sealed environment. If  
25 residences are built over ground-floor commercial, both

1 the residences and commercial buildings should be  
 2 equipped with some sort of vapor detectors, paren,  
 3 analogous to carbon monoxide and smoke detectors, end  
 4 paren.

5 Four, any subgrade ventilation should be  
 6 powered, paren, active, and not rely on the vagaries of  
 7 wind power, paren, passive, end paren, ventilators. The  
 8 Alameda area is subject to offshore wind flow and  
 9 stagnation conditions when passive systems will be  
 10 ineffective.

11 *(Whereupon, off record at*  
 12 *6:51 p.m.; comment at 7:38 p.m.)*

13 FURTHER COMMENT

14 BY GEORGE HUMPHREYS:

15 The cost estimates for the various alternatives  
 16 are conceptual level; i.e., not based on remedial  
 17 design. Therefore, the Groundwater Alternatives 3A, 3B,  
 18 and 4 are essentially the same, say, 15 million, plus or  
 19 minus 5 million.

20 *(Whereupon, off record at*  
 21 *7:39 p.m.; comment at 7:46 p.m.)*

22 COMMENT

23 BY KEN PETERSON:

24 I'm a 40-year resident and property homeowner  
 25 in Alameda. And the question is, How do we know that

1 these things that are talked about will be actually  
2 taken care of in the fullest of time?

3 And one of the questions about that is, Who  
4 it -- has the oversight and who has the authority to  
5 make sure it's going to happen that we can rely on?

6 And the answer, of course, is the Congress.  
7 That's the end of my statement.

8 *(Whereupon, at 7:46 p.m. off-record*  
9 *discussions until 7:53 p.m.)*

10 MR. ROBINSON: I'll let the court reporter go  
11 because she's got to get out of here in five minutes.  
12 Thank you all for coming tonight. This will be the end  
13 of the official Proposed Plan meeting for OU 2B. Thank  
14 you for coming.

15 *(Off record at 7:53 p.m., 5/15/13.)*

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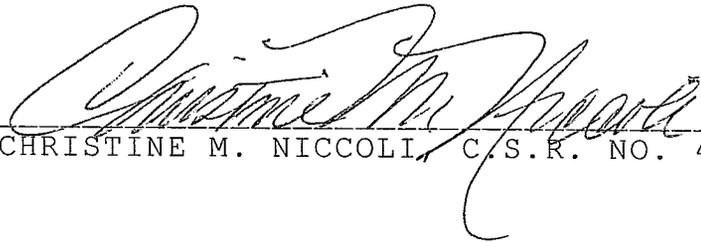
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I, CHRISTINE M. NICCOLI, Certified Shorthand Reporter of the State of California, do hereby certify that this nine-page transcript of the foregoing meeting was reported by me stenographically to the best of my ability at the time and place aforementioned.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 29th day of May, 2013.

  
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