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California Regional Water Quality Control Board
Santa Ana Region
Attn: Mr. Gary Stewart
2010 Iowa Avenue, Suite 100
Riverside, CA 92507

Dear Mr. Stewart:

In accordance with Cleanup and Abatement Order No. 87-97, MCAS El Toro has been operating a small granulated activated carbon system to capture trichloroethylene (TCE) contaminated groundwater along the perimeter of MCAS El Toro for the past 3 years. Since the Cleanup and Abatement Order was issued MCAS El Toro has entered into a Federal Facilities Agreement (FFA) with you, Environmental Protection Agency and the Department of Toxic Substance Control. The TCE groundwater plume is identified as Operating Unit 1 in the FFA. Currently, fieldwork for Phase 1 of the Remedial Investigation is nearly complete. We are also negotiating with the Orange County Water District to participate in their Irvine Desalter Facility for removal of TCE along with the nitrates from the groundwater.

In light of these events, we are requesting that you rescind Cleanup and Abatement Order No. 87-97. Upon your approval, we will cease operation of the GAC in September 1993.

If you have any further questions or comments, please contact Mrs. Chrisa Mitchell, Environmental Engineer, at (714) 726-6607.

Sincerely,

L. G. SERAFINI, LCDR, CEC, USN
Environmental Engineering Director
Environmental Department
By direction of Commanding General

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