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Mr. Joseph Joyce  
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Dear Mr. Joyce:

EPA has reviewed the "Draft SITE WORK/OPERATIONS PLAN, TANK 398 SITE FREE-PRODUCT REMOVAL PROJECT," prepared for Marine Corps Air Station, El Toro, California, received on January 17, 1995. These comments were faxed to you in draft form on March 8, 1995 to facilitate revision. Please address the following comments:

- 1) Please clarify whether additional monitoring wells will be installed to delineate the boundaries of free product. It appears from Figure 3-5 that delineation of the boundary of free product is necessary south and west of MW398-26. Additionally, the Navy has identified a need to further characterize stratigraphy as identified on Page 3, Appendix A.
- 2) Page 4-1; The criteria for the identified optional tasks must be provided.
- 3) Page 4-1; Task 1 includes operation of a product recovery system on six existing wells. Please provide rationale for selection of these six wells, as opposed to the nine monitoring wells identified with free product on 3/16/93 and seven identified on 11/8/94.

If you have any questions, I can be reached at (415) 744-2389.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bonnie Arthur".

Bonnie Arthur  
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