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TECHNICAL MEMORANDUM, PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT, BUILDING 307,
MARINE CORPS AIR STATION (MCAS) EL TORO

Dear Mr. Jung:

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) received your comments included in two letters dated November 7 and 26, 2001 on the Preliminary Assessment (PA) conducted at Building 307. The PA was performed to identify and characterize the possible presence of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) in the environment as a result of laundry and dry cleaning operations at Building 307. Building 307 is located in the southwest corner of Installation Restoration Program (IRP) Site 24. The results of the PA were documented by the Department of the Navy (DON) in a technical memorandum dated October 2001. After review of the document, DTSC concurred with the recommendation for no further action for Building 307 and the associated sewer line in a letter dated November 8, 2001. A copy of the letter is enclosed for your reference.

Following receipt of your comments on the PA, DTSC met with the DON, the United States Environmental Protection Agency and the California Regional Water Quality Control Board to discuss your comments and concerns. With input from the regulatory agencies, the DON prepared responses to your comments in a letter dated April 9, 2002.

After review of the Preliminary Assessment for Building 307, comments from the City of Irvine, and responses provided by the DON, DTSC concurs with the findings of the

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DON that there has not been a significant release to the environment at Building 307 or along the sewer alignment extending from Building 307 to the former sewer treatment plant. The analytical results of soil gas, soil, and groundwater samples inside Building 307 and adjacent to the sewer line extending from Building 307 to the former sewage disposal plant did not indicate a significant release. As a result, DTSC concurs with the recommendation by the DON of no further action for Building 307 and the associated sewer line.

DTSC appreciates the effort by the City of Irvine to review and comment on referenced document and encourages your continued input on the cleanup of MCAS El Toro. If you should have any questions or additional concerns, please contact me at (714) 484-5395.

Sincerely,



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