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Re: Extension Request for MCAS El Toro

Dear Mr. Joyce:

I am writing in response to your April 15 and April 24, 1996 letters, received on April 25 and April 24, 1996, requesting extensions for Operable Units (OUs) 1 and 2A set forth in Appendix A of the Federal Facility Agreement (FFA) for Marine Corps Air Station (MCAS) El Toro. As discussed in your letters, the OU 1 extension is requested in order for the Navy/Marine Corps to respond to regulatory comments (EPA and State of California, December 15, 1995, Interim Action Feasibility Study comments). The regulatory comments requested that the Navy/Marine Corps develop new contingency alternatives for the offsite principal aquifer groundwater plume. We also acknowledge that the OU 2A Feasibility Study (FS) schedule is impacted by the revised modeling required for the OU 1 FS. Therefore, these schedule extensions are granted for OUs 1 and 2A. We look forward to working with you to complete the Record of Decisions (RODs) for each of these OUs. If you have any questions, I can be reached at 415/744-2368.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Bonnie Arthur".

Bonnie Arthur  
Remedial Project Manager  
Federal Facilities Cleanup Office

cc: Mr. Tayseer Mahmoud, DTSC  
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