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Ms. Nancy G. Walker
Member, Board of Supervisors
City and County of San Francisco
City Hall, Room 235
San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Supervisor Walker:

Thank you for your letter dated December 8, 1986 regarding hazardous waste and homeporting evaluations at the Hunters Point Naval Shipyard (NSY). As you may be aware, under the Comprehensive Environmental Response and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA) and the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA), hazardous waste evaluation and remedial action selection and implementation at Federal facilities are the responsibility of the lead Federal agency. The Environmental Protection Agency has, under SARA and EPA policy, an oversight role at facilities not currently listed on our National Priorities List, such as at Hunters Point NSY. Similarly, under the National Environmental Policy Act, as amended in 1975 (NEPA), the lead Federal agency has full responsibility for implementing all NEPA requirements. I recommend that your contact Captain James M. Greenwald, Commander, Western Division, Naval Facilities Engineering Command, P.O. Box 727, 900 Commodore Drive, San Bruno, CA 94066-0720 (Attn: Mr. Dana Sakamoto for NEPA, Mr. Alex Dong for SARA), to ensure that the U.S. Navy keep the City and County of San Francisco fully appraised and involved in the very significant hazardous waste and homeporting evaluations currently under way at the Hunters Point NSY.

In summation, it is the Navy's responsibility to work with all concerned agencies and to ensure proper implementation of SARA and NEPA. EPA, for both SARA and NEPA activities, is primarily in an oversight and comment role.

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If I can be of any specific assistance regarding SARA implementation by the Navy, please do not hesitate to contact me at (415) 974-8603. For any EPA assistance regarding NEPA implementation please contact Mr. Rick Hoffman, Federal Activities Branch, at (415) 974-8191.

Sincerely,



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Superfund Federal
Facilities Coordinator

cc: ~~Mr. Dana Sakamoto, U.S. Navy~~
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