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Mr. Hugh Marley  
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Dear Mr. Marley:

This letter is in response to your July 22, 1998 letter regarding the *Final Preliminary Assessment (PA) for 25 Group B Areas of Concern (AOCs)* at the former Long Beach Naval Shipyard. Your organization requested clarification on a couple of statements in the PA Report.

The enclosed table addresses the Navy's response to your comment. Unless otherwise noted, it is not our intent to modify the Final PA Report.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Mr. Kurt Baer at (619) 532-4713.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Faiq Aljabi".

FAIQ ALJABI  
Environmental Engineer  
By direction of the Commander

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TABLE I – RESPONSES TO REGIONAL WATER  
QUALITY CONTROL BOARD LETTER  
OF JULY 22, 1998

DATED 31 JULY 1998

**TABLE I**  
**Responses to Regional Water Quality Control Board Letter Dated July 22, 1998**

Number	Comment	Response
1	<p>Section 4.2-3 states that the force main lines are typically less than 100 feet long. However, Figure 4.2-1 depicts lines that are significantly longer than 100 feet. Please modify Section 4.2-3 accordingly.</p>	<p>In the <i>Final Preliminary Assessment (PA) for 25 Group B Areas of Concern (AOCs)</i> Section 4.2.4 states that "the force main lines are constructed of steel and are typically less than 100 feet long." This is consistent with Figure 4.2-1, which highlights in red the 5 force main lines (Outfalls 2 through 7), for the force main lines for the storm water system. The scale on Figure 4.2-1 is one inch equals 200 feet (1" = 200'). Outfalls 3, 4, 6, and 7 are well under a half an inch (less than 100 feet). Outfall 5 is about a half an inch (about 100 feet). Outfall 2 is almost three and a half inches long (about 700 feet). Therefore, three of the five force main lines are under 100 feet.</p>
2	<p>Page ES-4 and 7-3 state that the force main lines did not leak. However, no pressure tests or investigations were conducted to support the statement. Please modify the statements to say that there were no known or reported leaks in the force main lines.</p>	<p>The last paragraph of Section 4.2.2 states: There are no documented releases or broken pipes associated with the force mains. In addition, LBNSY personnel interviewed recalled no problems with these lines during their tenure at LBNSY. Further, the force main lines for the storm water system were only operated during a storm event. These facts were the basis of the summary statement on pages ES-4 and 7-3 "potential contaminants did not leak from pipes."</p>