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**TOXIC SUBSTANCES CONTROL PROGRAM**

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Dear Mr. Chao:

**NAVAL AIR STATION MOFFETT FIELD QUARTERLY REPORT**

We have reviewed the February 1990 Quarterly Report for Naval Air Station (NAS) Moffett Field and have the following general comments:

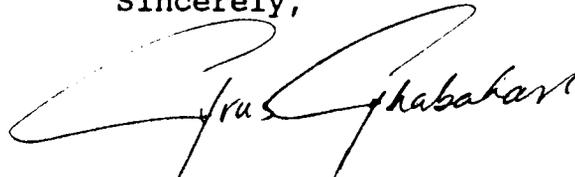
1. Site maps are not on the same scale thus, making it very difficult to see the relations between the sites and wells and to draw a broad picture of contaminant distribution on the west side.
2. Please explain how you would draw a broad picture of contamination on the west side without knowing the contents of the tanks, how long they have been in use and if they had been leaking. Moreover, it is not clear if the buildings and the industrial waste-lines around the wells have been investigated for possible source of contamination.
3. The Figures A-8 and A-9 show the TCE groundwater concentration contour maps but it is not clear if there are any wells south end of the base near the fence to identify the upgradient. An explanation is needed.
4. There are many wells on site 9 which show considerable TCE fluctuations since June of 1990, however, the report fails to further explore and address the reason(s). For example wells 20(A2), 28(A2) and 37(A1) show such variation. Please provide an explanation.
5. Please state if the upgradient for W9-2(A1) has been determined knowing that the nearest well, W9-19(A1), which is located approximately 800 feet upgradient shows much lower level of TCE.
6. Please state why an interpretation of well number W9-28(A2) was not included in the report despite of its high level of TCE since June of 1990.

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If you have any question please call me at (415) 540-3821.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Cyrus Shabahari', written over a horizontal line.

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