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Mr. Stephen Chao
Naval Facilities Engineering Command
Engineering Field Activity, West
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Re: *Draft Quarterly Report, November 1997*, dated March 26, 1998

Dear Mr. Chao,

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has received the subject document. In Section 5.4, the text states that "No detections of VOCs were measured in any of the 24 samples collected...", yet Appendix B (page 19) shows a vinyl chloride detection of 0.5 ppb in well W9-40, which is located in the B2/B3 aquifer. This is equal to the State of California MCL; the federal MCL is 2 ppb. This section should be modified to reflect this and any previous detections in this well to provide the reader with trends that may be developing.

The Regional Groundwater Remediation System, including the West Side Aquifer Treatment System, is presently under construction to remediate the shallow aquifers in this area. If contamination above the MCL has in fact migrated to this deeper aquifer, it will also require remediation. As a start, the Navy should include this well in the next sampling round. If you have any questions, please call me at 415-744-2385.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michael D. Gill".

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