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Mr. Jeffrey Harlow
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Re: Review of the Final Draft Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study Work Plan for AOC R at the Former US Naval Ammunition Support Detachment (NASD) Vieques Island, Puerto Rico

Dear Mr. Harlow:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Puerto Rico Environmental Quality Board (EQB) have completed the review of the Draft Final Remedial Investigation (RI) Work Plan for Area of Concern (AOC) R, Former Construction Staging and Public Works Operation Site, dated September 2005, Navy's Response to Comments on the Draft RI Work Plan for AOC R, dated August 25, 2005, and Final Meeting Minutes – Vieques Technical Conference Call, October 11, 2005, dated November 3, 2005. Our review indicates that our comments have been satisfactorily addressed. We therefore consider the remedial investigation document "Final."

If you have any questions or comments, please contact me at (787) 741-5201.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Daniel Rodriguez".

Daniel Rodriguez
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