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May 24, 2006

Mr. Christopher Penny  
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Re: Review of the Final Work Plan and Sampling Analysis Plan Soils Inorganics Background Investigation, Former Vieques Naval Training Range, Vieques, Puerto Rico

Dear Mr. Penny:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has completed its review of the revised Final Work Plan and Sampling Analysis Plan Soils Inorganics Background Investigation, Former Vieques Naval Training Range, Vieques, Puerto Rico dated May 2006, and the revised responses to comments (Appendix B) submitted on the Navy's behalf by e-mail from Mr. Brett Doerr of your consultant CH2M Hill, on May 8, 2006.

EPA reviews indicate that the revised work plan satisfactorily addresses community comments received during the public comment period. EPA approves the work plan. Please submit the work plan as final.

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

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Rodriguez", is written over a horizontal line.

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