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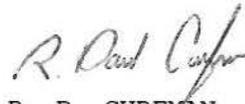
From: Commander, Naval Facilities and Engineering Command, Atlantic  
To: Commanding Officer, Naval Ordnance Safety and Security Activity

Subj: STATUS REPORT OF TCRA FOR SURFACE REMOVAL OF MEC AT VIEQUES

Ref: NOSSAINST 8020.15B

Encl: (1) STATUS REPORT, TIME CRITICAL REMOVAL ACTION, INTERIM ACTION FOR REMOVAL OF SURFACE MUNITIONS AND EXPLOSIVES OF CONCERN (MEC) AT MUNITIONS RESPONSE AREAS-LIVE IMPACT AREA, AND EASTERN CONSERVATION AREA FORMER VIEQUES NAVAL TRAINING RANGE, VIEQUES, PUERTO RICO, OCTOBER 2010.

1. This command is conducting a Time Critical Removal Action (TCRA) at the former naval facilities on Vieques Island, Puerto Rico at the former Live Impact Area to reduce the immediate explosive safety risk to the public. The TCRA is being performed under an explosives safety submission (ESS) that was approved by NOSSA in 2006.
2. Since the TCRA has been initiated, the surface removal of MEC has been suspended due to the explosive safety risk to workers in an area that contains a high density of sub munitions and dense vegetation, which limits the visibility of the sub munitions. Although NAVFAC Atlantic prepared a plan for the controlled burning of the vegetation, the approval of the plan by the regulators has been delayed. Once the controlled burning, or an alternative technology, is implemented, the surface clearance of MEC within the sub munitions area will be completed, and an After Action Report will be prepared in accordance with NOSSAINST 8920.15B.
3. NAVFAC feels it is prudent to present a status report on the progress of the TCRA. Should you have any comments on the status report, NAVFAC Atlantic will address the comments in the After Action Report.
4. My point of contact for this matter is Mr. Kevin Cloe, telephone 757-322-4736 or email Kevin.cloe@navy.mil.

  
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