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November 12, 2004

The Honorable Damaso Serrano
Mayor de Vieques
Municipio de Vieques
Calle Carlos Lébrum #449
Vieques, PR 00765

Dear Mr. Serrano,

As you know, the Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) and the CERCLA Technical Committee (CTC) have been actively trying to address community concerns, as well as to develop collaborative technical decisions for the environmental investigation in Vieques. As we move forward with the investigation process, the development of the RAB and the expected National Priority List (NPL) designation for Vieques will allow more community members to participate in the process.

I cordially invite you (or your representative) to be part of RAB and CTC meetings, to help us maintain the information flow on the environmental investigation with the community in a timely and useful manner.

The RAB in particular needs a representative from the Municipality who can attend all RAB meetings. Pablo Connelly, who represented the Municipality on the former Technical Review Committee (TRC), has joined the RAB as a community member. Please let me know if you would like Mr. Connelly to continue to represent the Municipality on the RAB, or if you plan to appoint another representative.

Please let me know if you would like to further discuss the involvement of the Municipality in this effort. You can reach me by telephone at 757-322-4815, or mail to Atlantic Division, Code EV24JH, 6506 Hampton Blvd, Norfolk Va. 23508-1276, or email at jeffrey.harlow@navy.mil.

I look forward to the Municipality's participation in the CTC and RAB activities.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Harlow
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