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PROFILE BORING 133 NWIRP BETHPAGE NY

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To: Steven Scharf, NYSDEC Project Manager

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Re: USGS Comments on Work Plan for Navy Vertical Profile Boring 133
Bethpage, NY

In continued support of the multi-agency efforts to address concerns of groundwater contamination in the Bethpage area, the USGS was tasked by EPA under the existing EPA-USGS Interagency Agreement to review and provide independent comments on the Work Plan Addendum submitted by Tetra Tech NUS on behalf of the Naval Facilities Engineering Command Mid-Atlantic to NYSDEC for installation of Vertical Profile Boring 133 and subsequent monitoring wells in Bethpage, NY.

Enclosed for your reference and consideration are a copy of the October 24, 2011 comment letter from USGS and a copy of their Appendix. I have also conducted and previously submitted my own comments based on my review of the Addendum. The October 24 telephone conference call with EPA, NYSDEC, USGS, Navy and the contractor, coordinated by the Navy to discuss proposed well construction for VPB -129 also included a productive discussion of suggested considerations for further efforts to delineate the area.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at your earliest convenience.

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