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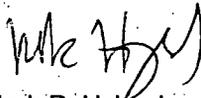
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Dear Jim:

The Maine Department of Environmental Protection has received and reviewed the "Proposed Plan, Site 8, Perimeter Road Disposal Site dated August, 1992, for Naval Air Station Brunswick. The Department is satisfied with the incorporation of our comments on the draft Proposed Plan for Site 8. One minor comment on the Proposed Plan would be useful to mention. Although we have agreed to close Site 8 using the soil cover requirements for closure of an attenuation landfill, strictly speaking Site 8 was an open dump and was never designed and operated as an attenuation landfill. The definition of attenuation landfill in the glossary is accurate and the regulatory cites in the various sections are correct, but Site 8 should not be considered an attenuation landfill. The Department has agreed to the proposed soil cover system because of the level of risk posed by the site. Open dumps with higher levels of risk require more sophisticated cover systems.

The Department has no further comments on the Proposed Plan at this time. We look forward to public comments on the Plan during the public comment period and at the Public Meeting on Site 8 on October 15, 1992.

Sincerely,



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