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TRIP / CONFERENCE REPORT

DESTINATION: NWIRP, BETHPAGE, NY  
NWIRP, CALVERTON, NY

PROJECT TITLE: Installation Restoration Program at NWIRP,  
Calverton

DATE OF VISIT: Thursday, December 12, 1991

PURPOSE OF VISIT:

- (1) Site Visit - become familiar with the IR sites currently being studied.
- (2) meet key personnel from DPRO, Grumman and the NYSDEC who have been or will be involved with the IR program at Calverton.

INDIVIDUALS CONTACTED:

@ Bethpage:  
Martin Simonson - DPRO  
Abe Kern - DPRO  
Jan Wright - DPRO

@ Calverton:  
Bob Agee - Grumman Environmental  
T.S. Manickam, PM - NYSDEC  
Jamie Ascher, Geologist - NYSDEC  
Stony Brook Office  
David Harrington - NYSDEC  
Vince Bertolino - ROICC

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS, DISCUSSIONS, PROBLEMS:

1) D. Felton traveled to the Defense Plant Representative Office (DPRO) located at Plant 37 of the Grumman Plant, Bethpage, NY to meet the individuals involved in the IR program at NWIRP, Calverton. (see list above)

2) From Bethpage, Marty Simonson and Debbie Felton proceeded to Calverton to meet the NYSDEC representatives and Bob Agee of Grumman's Environmental Section.

3) A brief, informal discussion was held prior to visiting the sites. M. Simonson explained that the purpose of this site visit was to familiarize all of the individuals who will be involved in the IR program at Calverton with the sites and to establish lines of communication between the various parties. D. Felton described the current status of the Site Inspection at Calverton. The field work has been completed. An Amendment is pending to address additional work that was identified after the Rough Draft SI report was issued; specifically 100% data validation and disposal of IDW wastes currently containerized at each site. Negotiation is expected the week of Dec. 16th and publication of the Draft SI Report in late January 1992. This is the report that will be forwarded to the regulatory agencies for their review and comment.

J. Ascher commented that having this site visit was commendable for a DOD agency, however, he expressed concern that no one from NYSDEC had been present during the field work. M.Simonson indicated that he recalled someone having visited the site (perhaps from the Health Dept) during the field work. He would have to contact NYS to learn who it was. Even though D.Felton had no record of a copy of the Work Plan being sent to NYSDEC prior to the field work, M.Simonson indicated that Susan McCormick of NYSDEC was aware of the work and he believed that a copy of the work plan had been sent to them from DPRO.

4) The group proceeded to visit each of the following sites:

- Site 2-Fire Fighting Training Area
- Site 1 - Northeast Pond Disposal Area
- Site 7 - Fuel Depot
- Site 4 - Picnic Grounds Disposal Area
- Sites 6a,b and c - Fuel Calibration/Run up Areas
- McKay Lake

A brief history of each site was given during the visit. D.Felton and M.Simonson answered NYSDEC's questions regarding the sampling and testing program followed at some of the sites, however, the results of the analytical testing were not discussed at this time. Complete results and conclusions regarding the potential contamination at each site will be included in the forthcoming report.

5) The issue of McKay Lake was raised by Bob Agee. D.Felton explained that the testing requested by the State with respect to obtaining a permit would not be accomplished through the IR program for the following reason. McKay Lake currently receives the effluent from the activity's wastewater treatment plant as allowed by an NPDES permit. Thus, any contamination of the lake sediment due to this discharge could not be covered by DERA funds. B.Agee understood but requested an appropriate POC at Northdiv. D.Felton suggested that he contact George Wiese of Code 1412 for more information since she had previously discussed McKay Lake with him.

6) Mention was made of a suspected leaking underground storage tank at the old Fuel Calibration Area. It is apparently still in place.

7) It is currently planned by NYSDEC for T.S.Manickam to handle the Project Management aspects of Calverton at their Albany office. Jamie Ascher of the Stony Brook Office will be responsible for the local (field) issues.

#### DECISIONS, AGREEMENTS, CONCLUSIONS:

1) IDW drums: Two copies of the charts describing the intended fate of the drummed wastes were provided to T.S.Manickam. Although Northdiv had received verbal approval from NYSDEC on the proposed disposal methods, the Gov't requested this approval in writing for their files. T.S.Manickam will take this back to his

office for review and preparation of the letter to be sent to D.Felton. T.S.Manickam action.

2) Liquid residues from Site 2: Bob Agee requested that the drummed liquids from Site 2 not be disposed of through the Wastewater Treatment Plant as currently planned. D.Felton action.

3) Copies of Draft SI Report: Grumman requested 2 copies minimum, 3 copies preferred, in order to do a timely review. D.Felton action.

4) M.Simonsen requested NYSDEC's cooperation in trying to coordinate their various departments and offices that may have cognizance over different aspects of Calverton. This would greatly facilitate the efficient completion of the investigations so that the Navy, Grumman and DP&C are not asked to provide numerous copies of the same information to different departments at different times. NYSDEC reps agreed to attempt this coordination effort.

REMARKS:

1) M.Simonsen advised D.Felton that the site of an old coal pile adjacent to the steam plant be added for study as a potentially contaminated site. D.Felton will add this site for a Site Inspection during the next phase (RI) of Calverton's program.

2) M. Simonsen and D.Felton discussed the establishment of a TRC for Calverton. D.Felton will chair the TRC meetings. NYSDEC chairs any public meetings. NAVAIR will invite the appropriate people to the TRCs. Frank Klanchar can provide a copy of a typical TRC letter from Bethpage.

3) When forwarding the Draft SI to the State, request names and addresses of NYSDEC personnel who should be invited to the TRCs.

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