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RE: Draft Final DPDO Film Processing Disposal Area, Site 08
Remedial Investigation Report and
Transformer Oil Disposal Area, Site 05
Data Transmittal Report
Naval Construction Battalion Center, Davisville

Dear Marilyn:

This Division has received and reviewed the above cited documents and has generated the following comments:

Site 08, DPDO Film Processing Disposal Area:

- The Department is concerned that the document fails to adequately address the issue of this site's relationship to an EPA designated sole source aquifer and RIDEM designated GAA aquifer. Specifically, the site is located adjacent to the capture zone of a proposed high yield public well.
- Figure 8 in Volume I of this report is a regional groundwater contour plan which depicts regional flow as northeasterly in the vicinity of the site and away from the sole source aquifer. This localized flow pattern is confirmed in Figure 18; however, Figure 11 depicts flow in a northwesterly direction, toward the sole source aquifer.
- The Department's groundwater classification of GAA refers to those groundwater resources which the Director of DEM has designated suitable for public drinking water use without treatment. This classification is further defined in section 9.01 of RIDEM's Rules and Regulations for

Groundwater Quality and appended to the aforementioned document in Appendix I. The small undefined area which comprises Site 8 has been designated GAA-NA due to the existence of this superfund site; however, based upon the analytic results contained in the document, contamination of groundwater does not exist above the MCL or above RIDEM Groundwater Quality Standards.

- The Division recommends that the Navy seek concurrence with the Division of Groundwater and ISDS that the Non-Attainment classification is not applicable to this area. Additionally, the Base Reuse Plan designates the area for a general industrial reuse; the Division recommends that potential impacts of general industrial activities to the drinking water supply be evaluated when considering future use of this area. In general, the document supports a limited/no further remedial action finding.

Site 5, Transformer Oil Disposal Area:

- Based upon the data as presented in the Site 5 Data Transmittal Report, there is no indication of PCB contamination at the "Transformer Oil Disposal Area", Site 5. The Division agrees that the data supports a "No Further Action" finding.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,



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