



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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May 15, 1996

Mr. Philip Otis
U.S. Department of the Navy
Northern Division - NAVFAC
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Re: Review of Technical Memo dated 1 May 1996, titled "Proposed Additional Sampling at Site 07, Calf Pasture Point, at the former Naval Construction Battalion Center - Davisville, Rhode Island

Dear Mr. Otis:

Please find enclosed the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) comments on the subject document. I look forward to discussing these comments with you at the BCT meeting tomorrow at the CSO. However, if you have any questions you need answered today, please contact me at (617) 573-5736.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Christine A.P. Williams".

Christine A.P. Williams
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Enclosure

cc: Richard Gottlieb, RIDEM
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EPA's Comment on Technical Memo dated 1 May 1996, titled "Proposed Additional Sampling at Site 07, Calf Pasture Point, NCBC, Davisville, RI"

1. EPA Concur with the Navy's proposal that the listed 14 wells be re-sampled.
2. In addition, EPA suggests that well 21D be re-sampled to verify the previous data, wells 4S & 23S should be re-sampled, since the acetone hit could be reflective of improper decontamination techniques, well 19S should be re-sampled, since the HP data is up to an order of magnitude lower and this is a new source area, and well 31 S should be re-sampled since the data is confusing in that there is both UD and undiluted real data reported and the well is located in the source area.
3. The Navy should provide a corrective action plan prior to re-sampling.
4. Equipment blanks need to be taken after sampling every well with a large hit or at the very least at the end of every day.
5. The Navy should sample pre-cell at each well.
6. The Navy should pay particular attention to detail when decontaminating the equipment.