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Mr. Philip Otis, P.E., Remedial Project Manager
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Code 18, Mail Stop #82
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RE: ESD for IR Sites 12 and 14
NCBC Davisville, Rhode Island

Dear Mr. Otis;

The Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management, Office of Waste Management (RIDEM) has reviewed the Explanation of Significant Difference (ESD) for IR Program Sites 12 (Building 316) and 14 (Building 38). The purpose of this document is to demonstrate that the Navy has remediated these sites to a level which is protective of residential use (most conservative scenario) and hence negates the need for residential deed restrictions as called for in the 1993 ROD.

The issue at both sites was PCB removal. The Navy removed PCBs to a level not exceeding 10 ppm. Based on current RIDEM Site Remediation Regulations (amended 1996), PCBs in a residential setting cannot exceed 10 ppm. RIDEM finds that the level of PCBs at these sites are acceptable for residential use and therefore concurs with the ESD..

If you have any questions or require additional information please call Richard Gottlieb at (401) 222-2797 ext. 7138.

Sincerely,


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