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Mr. Fred Evans, P.E., Remedial Project Manager
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RE: Preliminary Identification and Screening of Remedial Action Technologies
For Groundwater
IR Program Site 16 (Former Creosote Dip Tank and Fire Fighter Training Area)
Naval Construction Battalion Center
Davisville, Rhode Island
Submitted 17 September 2003, Dated 16 September 2003

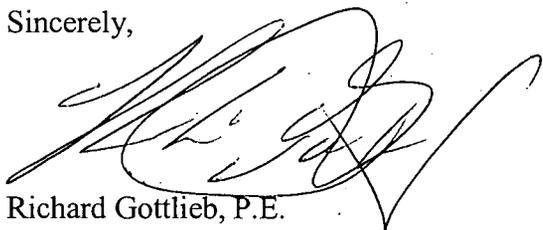
Dear Mr. Evans;

The Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management, Office of Waste Management (RIDEM) has reviewed the above referenced document which provided a very general discussion of many potential alternatives. As noted in the title this is a preliminary screening. Based on this review of alternatives the Navy is suggesting that there are four possible alternatives that appear to be promising (accelerated natural attenuation, chemical oxidation, electrical heating, and steam enhanced remediation).

In accordance with Section 7.04 of the RIDEM Remediation Regulations RIDEM is requiring a mini feasibility study prior to implementation of the pilot study. A minimum of two alternatives, other than the no build, must be considered. It is, however, suggested that no more than four alternatives be considered. The study must include costs, impacts to the environment, feasibility, compliance with State and Local laws, and preliminary plans. It must be demonstrated that the preferred alternative has a reasonable chance of success.

RIDEM looks forward to working with the Navy and USEPA on this pilot study. If you have any questions or require additional information please call me at (401) 222-2797 ext. 7138 or e-mail me at rgottlie@dem.state.ri.us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Richard Gottlieb', written over a circular stamp or seal.

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