



STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

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RE: Partnering Agreement, Newport Education and Training Center, Newport, Rhode Island

Dear Mr. Krivinkas:

The Division has received the partnering agreement for the Newport Rhode Island Team. As stated in previous telephone discussions with your office the Division is concerned that this partnering agreement does not adequately address contracting management issues. These issues have been a significant problem at the base. During the partnering it was my understanding that the RPM was responsible for all contracting activities at the site. Through subsequent conversations with the Navy, I learned that the RPM is responsible for all contracting activities relating to remedial investigations and the base contracting officer is responsible for contracting issues with respect to implementing remedial activities at the site.

The Division has a good working relationship with the base contracting officer and would prefer to continue this relationship. However, due to the complex nature of the remedial investigations/actions being conducted at the site there have been communication logistic problems. Therefore, I would like to discuss the possibility of including the contracting officer in the partnering team.

If you have any questions concerning the above, please contact me at (401) 277-2797.

Sincerely,

Paul Kulpa

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