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Subject: RAB Meeting Summary

Dear Mr. Shafer:

Enclosed is a copy of the November 19, 1997 RAB meeting summary.

If you have any questions about this matter, please contact me at 978-658-7899.

Very truly yours,

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## **NETC RAB HEARS THREE PRESENTATIONS AND EXERCISES AN ADVISORY VOTE ON NETC SITES CLEANUP PRIORITIES**

On Wednesday, November 19, 1997, the NETC Newport Installation Restoration Program Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) met at the NETC Officers' Club.

The RAB heard workplan presentations for a Site Investigation at the NUSC Disposal Area and an RI/FS at the Gould Island Electroplating Shop. The NUSC SI has three phases; each successive phase builds on the information developed from the previous phase. Phase I includes a site walkover, a records search, and soil gas sample collection and analysis. Phase II involves digging test pits, collecting and analyzing surface and subsurface soil samples, and determining the specific boundaries of the fill areas. Phase III includes installing wells, and collecting and analyzing groundwater; collecting and analyzing surface water and sediment from the two streams on site; surveying the area; and evaluating the ecological setting. This information will be documented in an SASE report, which will identify the types and amounts of chemicals found, describe the site's geology and how water travels through the area, describe the fill boundaries, and include abbreviated human health and ecological risk assessments to determine if further investigations or remediation are required.

The Gould Island RI field work will be conducted in two phases. Phase I involves removing equipment from the shop so that concrete floor samples can be collected and analyzed, and drain trenches can be tracked to outfalls. Samples will be collected from drainlines and wash water; sediment will be collected from expected outfall areas. Surface soil samples will be collected from outside and under the building. Phase II includes drilling borings and sampling subsurface soil; installing wells and sampling groundwater; and evaluating the ecological setting. The RI report will discuss the chemicals and concentrations found, report the locations of the drainage pipe discharges, describe the local geology, and include both a human health and an ecological risk assessment. The Navy is working with the US Army Corps of Engineers to determine if the Corps would conduct the Electroplating Shop investigation at the same time they are working on their own Gould Island sites. The Corps is planning to initiate field work next summer.

The final presentation involved the results of the revised relative risk site evaluation, a process the Navy uses to aid in determining funding priorities. By adding the results of newly acquired field data to the model, the Navy has created a revised initial listing for site funding priorities.

In a related action, the RAB voted on which NETC IR sites should be given highest priority for cleanup funding and which have the highest non-military reuse potential. Community members voted for the following funding priorities: Derecktor Shipyard (onshore), McAllister Point Landfill, Derecktor Shipyard (offshore), Gould Island, Old Fire Fighter Training Area, Tank Farm 4, Tank Farm 5, Tank Farm 1, NUSC, Tank Farm 2, Tank Farm 3, and Coddington Cove. The reuse vote: Tank Farms 1, 2, 3, and 4 (in order); Derecktor (onshore); Tank Farm 5; and McAllister Point Landfill.