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LETTER SUMMARIZING MEETING OBJECTIVES AT TANK FARMS 1, 2 AND 2 NS NEWPORT RI
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Subject: Tank Farms 1, 2 and 3 at Defense Fuel Supply Point – Melville

Dear Ms. Mueller:

A meeting was held on Thursday November 15 between the DESC and Navy regarding the current status of Tank Farms 1, 2 and 3 as well as the process by which the DESC will convey these properties back to the Navy. Comprehensive site investigation and remediation of petroleum-related releases has been completed at both Tank Farms 2 and 3. Site Investigation and Remediation Reports for Tank Farm 2 and Tank Farm 3 were initially submitted to the Navy and RIDEM in 2006 and 2005, respectively. A comprehensive work plan for site closure at Tank Farm 1 was submitted to RIDEM and the Navy in 2006. The DESC has not received comments on these documents; therefore, an action item of the November 15 meeting was to resubmit these documents to the Navy for review and comment. The following documents are being resubmitted with this letter:

Tank Farm 1:
Draft Work Plan for Site Closure at Tank Farm 1 dated October 2006

Tank Farm 2:
Draft Site Investigation and Remediation Report dated July 2006

Tank Farm 3:
Draft Site Investigation and Remediation Report dated May 2005

Note that Paul Kulpa at RIDEM has stated he would not review the Tank Farm 1 work plan until work at Tank Farms 2 and 3 was completed. During the November 15 meeting, the Navy was supportive of moving forward with proposed field work at Tank Farm 1 prior to resolving issues relating to Tank Farms 2 and 3 with RIDEM. As such, DESC and TtEC are requesting that the Navy prioritize its review of the Tank Farm 1 work plan. A significant field effort has been proposed and will be implemented if the Navy concurs with the proposed work and is supportive of moving forward without feedback from RIDEM.

DESC and TtEC did contact Paul Kulpa at RIDEM to request more information regarding the perceived outstanding issues at Tank Farms 2 and 3 and to request comments on the Draft Site Investigation and Remediation Reports. As stated previously, RIDEM has not provided comments on these documents. A round of groundwater gauging and sampling at Tank Farm 3 was proposed to demonstrate to RIDEM that petroleum sources had been controlled and/or eliminated. RIDEM

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concurred with the proposed sampling, and also requested that Structure 227 be investigated for battery storage and sediment samples be collected at Outfall 005 and analyzed for petroleum constituents. DESC agreed to conduct this work and an addendum to the work plan was prepared and submitted to RIDEM and the Navy in October 2007. This addendum is also being resubmitted to the Navy for review and comment:

Tank Farm 3:
Addendum 1 of the Final Work Plan for Site Closure dated October 2007

On November 9, 2007 via email, DESC received significant comments from RIDEM regarding the work plan addendum; therefore, field work was discontinued until comments could be resolved. During the November 15 meeting, the Navy agreed to assist DESC and TtEC with responses. RIDEM's comment letter is provided as an attachment to this letter. Several comments relate to work which has been completed and is described in the Site Investigation and Remediation Report for Tank Farm 3 dated May 2005.

Also provided as background information are the work plans for Tank Farms 2 and 3. These contain detailed summaries of previous work conducted by GZA, and describe in detail the work performed at Tank Farms 2 and 3 by TtEC.

Tank Farm 2:
Draft Work Plan for Site Closure Tank Farm 2 dated September 2003
Draft Condensed Work Plan for Soil and Groundwater Sampling Tank Farm 2 dated February 2005

Tank Farm 3:
Final Work Plan for Site Closure Tank Farm 3 dated March 2003

If you have any questions regarding the document submittals, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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Environmental Engineer

cc: James Colter, Navy
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Attachment
Comment letter from Paul Kulpa (RIDEM) dated November 7, 2007