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RE: Proposed Taylor Street Study Area, Naval Education and Training Center, Newport, Rhode Island

Dear Mr. LaGreca,

The Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management, Office of Waste Management has reviewed the proposed addition of a new Study Area to the Federal Facilities Agreement dated 16 June 2003. The new Study Area is located at Taylor Street, immediately adjacent to the Old Fire Fighter Training Area (OFFTA). Be advised that it is possible that the contamination observed at Taylor Street may be associated with the OFFTA. Whether the contamination is associated with OFFTA or is a separate site, the Navy may wish to deal with the area as part of the proposed removal action at OFFTA. Addressing both locations at the same time may prove to be beneficial in terms of time and cost.

Should the Navy elect to deal with the contamination at Taylor Street as a separate site, the first step would be to confirm that it is not part of the OFFTA. The Navy would also have to submit a schedule for the investigation and associated submissions.

If the Navy has any questions concerning the above, please contact this Office at 401-222-2797

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Paul Kulpa".

Paul Kulpa
Office of Waste Management

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