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Subj: CLOSURE OF TANK FARM 4 UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS, NAVAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING CENTER, NEWPORT

Dear Mr. Fester:

I am writing to update you on the schedule for closing the remaining underground storage tanks in Tank Farm 4 at the Naval Education and Training Center (NETC) in Newport.

As discussed in my letter of 2 November, the Navy has been using Defense Environmental Restoration Account (DERA) funding to carry out various cleanup and closure action at NETC, including the McAllister Point Landfill, North Melville Landfill, Tank Farm 4, and Tank Farm 5.

We were forced to suspend work this fall at Tank Farm 4 due to overruns on the two landfill projects which were not anticipated in our budgeting, as well as delays in appropriation of FY-96 DERA funding. Although DERA funds have not yet been fully appropriated by Congress, we feel that we can provide a tentative schedule for resuming work at Tank Farm 4 (enclosed).

Based on projections of our FY-96 budget, we expect \$2,000,000 to be available for work at Tank Farm 4 through 30 September. This will allow us to close two to three additional tanks. Our first priority will be tanks 38, 45, and 48, which were identified as possible leakers in the Preliminary Closure Assessment Report. Phasing work over the summer may allow us to close additional tanks with FY-97 funding in October, without demobilizing from the site.

In addition, site investigations are complete or underway at all suspected leaking tanks in both Tank Farms 4 and 5. The Site Investigation Reports for Tank Farms 4 and 5 are due in April and February, respectively.

I will inform you of any new developments on this project. We are making every effort to obtain additional funding to complete work at Tank Farm 4 as quickly as possible. My point of contact on this matter is Brian Helland at (610) 595-0567, Extension 124.

Sincerely,



C. J. MAYER

Head, Environmental Department

By direction of the

Commanding Officer

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SCHEDULE OF FY-96 CLOSURE ACTIONS
TANK FARM 4

NETC Newport

<u>TASK</u>	<u>BEGIN</u>	<u>END</u>
Prepare specifications	30 Jan 96	15 Mar 96
Award contract	18 Mar 96	19 Apr 96
Prepare work plans	22 Apr 96	24 May 96
RIDEM review of work plans	24 May 96	24 Jun 96
Procure treatment system	24 May 96	12 Jul 96
Mobilize	10 Jun 96	15 Jul 96
Empty/clean tanks	15 Jul 96	01 Nov 96
Demobilize	01 Nov 96*	15 Nov 96*

May be rescheduled if additional funding is received.