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RE: Extension Request Derecktor Shipyard Feasibility Study, Naval Education and Training Center,
Newport, Rhode Island

Dear Mr. Shaffer,

The Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management, Office of Waste Management has reviewed the Navy's extension request dated 5 May 1999 for the Derecktor Shipyard Feasibility Study. In the request letter, the Navy has noted that the additional time is needed in order to allow RIDEM to review additional material which has been submitted for the Preliminary Remediation Goals document. It is unfortunate that these issues were not addressed prior to the submission of the Feasibility Study. On 15 May 1998, 18 September 1998 and 21 December 1998 this Office submitted comments on the Preliminary Remediation Goals document. A number of the comments in the latter versions were reiterations of comments sent out in the original comment package. Failure to address these comments or provide the requested information has resulted in the delays we are now experiencing in the Feasibility Study for this site. It is RIDEM's hope that this can be avoided in the future.

The Office approves that Navy's request to delay the submission of the Final Feasibility Study until resolution of comments generated on the supporting documents. If the Navy has any questions concerning the above, please contact this Office at (401) 277-2797.

Sincerely,

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

Paul Kulpa, Project Manager
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