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Mr. Mark Lewis
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SUBJ: RESPONSES TO CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL
PROTECTION COMMENTS DATED JUNE 7, 1999 ON THE DRAFT FINAL
PROPOSED PLAN FOR THE GOSS COVE LANDFILL SITE, NAVAL
SUBMARINE BASE - NEW LONDON (NSB-NLON), GROTON, CT

Dear Mr. Lewis:

Please find enclosed the Navy's responses to your comments of
June 7, 1999 on the Draft Final Proposed Plan for the Goss Cove
Landfill site at NSB-NLON.

The Navy looks forward to finalizing this document and working
with you during the preparation of the Record of Decision for
this site. Please call me at (610) 595-0567 ext. 162 if you have
any questions or wish to discuss this issue further.

Sincerely,

MARK EVANS
By direction of the
Commanding Officer

Copy to:
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RESPONSES TO
CTDEP'S JUNE 7, 1999 COMMENT LETTER
REGARDING THE MAY 1999
DRAFT FINAL PROPOSED PLAN
FOR GOSS COVE LANDFILL
NAVAL SUBMARINE BASE NEW LONDON
GROTON, CONNECTICUT

July 28, 1999

SPECIFIC COMMENTS

1. Comment: The "Components" column of the table in the lower right corner of Page 2 still does not distinguish clearly between Alternative 2A and 2B.

Response: The "Components" column which includes each of the Remedial Alternatives, Components, and Comment will be provide information for each of the alternatives individually. This will clarify the components that are relative to each of the alternatives.

2. Comment: Delete the 4th, 5th, and 6th bullet for both alternatives. For alternative 2A, insert the following:

- Construct soil type cap over entire landfill.
- Replace asphalt pavement and landscaping.

Response: The 4th, 5th, and 6th bullet will be removed for Alternative 2A and 2B. A bullet will be added to indicate "Construct a multi-layered soil type cap of the excavated area" and Construct a multi-layered asphalt-type cap over existing paved parking lot area".

3. Comment: For alternative 2B, insert the following:

- Construct multi-layered impermeable cap over entire landfill area.
- Replace asphalt pavement and landscaping

Response: The bullets will be modified to indicate "Construct a multi-layered impermeable soil-type cap over the excavated area" and "Construct a multi-layered impermeable asphalt-type cap over the paved area".

4. Comment: The State previously requested that in Figure 3, both cross sections should use the same scale, and the Figure 3 should also state "Not to Scale". In the Navy's letter of May 21, the Navy agreed to add "Not to Scale" to the diagram, and to modify the figure "so that the graphical scale is consistent". The changes have not been incorporated into the current version of the Proposed Plan. Please revise the Proposed Plan as requested.

Response: The Navy agrees that Figure 3 will be revised to show the identical cross section hashings to identify the waste. This figure does not require the addition of "Not to Scale" to

clarify the understanding to the reader. Not to Scale will not be added to the figure.