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Re: Responses to EPA's May 29, 2002 Comments on the Draft Round 1 Quarterly Groundwater Monitoring Report for the Goss Cove Landfill, NSB-NLON, Groton, CT

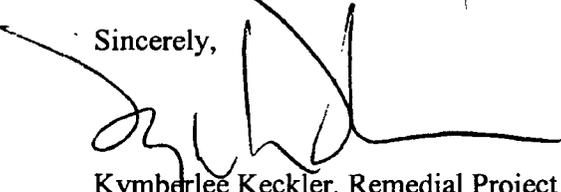
Dear Mr. Evans:

EPA reviewed the Navy responses to its comments on the *Draft Round 1 Quarterly Groundwater Monitoring Report for Goss Cove Landfill, Naval Submarine Base - New London, Groton, Connecticut* dated June 13, 2002.

Regarding Comment 2 (p. 2-5, §2.5), the original comment noted a contradiction in the proposed sampling procedure for well 8MW5S; the water level falls below the bottom of the screen at low tide, so it cannot be sampled at low tide, as proposed for the other site wells. The Response proposes to sample the well between high and low tides, so that the purge and sampling extract formation water. This procedure is adequate; it is the best that can be done under the circumstances. The change in procedure is incorporated in the revised text. The reporting for monitoring results should note this exception to remind readers that the procedure for this well deviates slightly from that followed for other site wells.

I look forward to working with you and the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection to protecting the environs of the Goss Cove Landfill. Please do not hesitate to contact me at (617) 918-1385 should you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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