



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION I

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RE: Building 31 Removal Action Draft Administrative Record
Index, Naval Submarine Base-New London, Groton, Connecticut

Dear Mr. Evans:

The purpose of this letter is to transmit EPA's comments on the subject document. The Administrative Record Index submitted by you does not follow the outline provided to you in my letter dated June 28, 1994. Since the Region prefers that the Building 31 removal proceed in a timely manner, the format suggested in that letter will not have to be followed for this removal action. However, for all future removal actions and records of decision, the format of the administrative record index should follow the outline previously provided to you.

Although the submitted Administrative Record Index does include some of the necessary letters and documents, many important such records are missing. In particular, the initial studies documenting the nature and extent of the contamination, treatment studies, and reference documents should be included in the proper order. As the removal action continues, the various documents supporting close-out of the site must be included in the administrative record. And finally, the Administrative Record Index should be updated periodically until the site is closed out.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact me, at (617) 573-5736.

Sincerely,


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