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Subj: REVIEW OF INSTALLATION RESTORATION PROGRAM DOCUMENTS FOR NORFOLK NAVAL BASE, NORFOLK, VA

Ref: (a) CH2M HILL transmittal ltr of 22 Oct 96  
(b) Guidance for Performance of Preliminary Assessments Under CERCLA, OSWER Directive No. 9345.0-01A, Sep 1991

SITE 21

1. Per reference (a), we have completed a medical review of the "Draft Preliminary Assessment, Building W-316 PCB Waste Work Area (Site 21), Norfolk Naval Base, Norfolk, VA." The draft Preliminary Assessment (PA) consists of a site description, a history of PCB releases at Site 21, and a brief summary of previous site investigations. We recommend that the final PA identify pathways of exposure and exposure targets, evaluate the magnitude of the potential threat to public health or welfare, and determine the need for removal or remedial action. Additional guidance on the performance of PAs may be found in reference (b).

2. We are available to discuss this document by telephone with you and, if necessary, with you and your contractor. If you require additional assistance, please call Mr. William H. Etheridge or Mr. David McConaughy, Head, Health Risk Assessment Department at (757) 363-5549 or (757) 363-5557. The DSN prefix is 864.

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