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IN REPLY REFER TO:

March 31, 1998

MEMORANDUM

FOR THE MEMBERS OF THE RESTORATION ADVISORY BOARD (RAB) CERCLA REMEDIAL ACTION PROGRAM, PORTSMOUTH NAVAL SHIPYARD, KITTERY, MAINE

On behalf of the Seacoast Anti-Pollution League (SAPL), the Navy is forwarding a review of responses to comments on the *Draft On-Shore/Off-Shore Contaminant Fate and Transport Modeling Phase II Work Plan* for your information. They were prepared for SAPL by their Technical Assistance Grant advisor, Lepage Environmental Services, Inc.

If you have any questions regarding these comments, they may be provided at a RAB meeting, by calling Lepage Environmental services at (207) 777-1049 or by writing to:

Lepage Environmental Services
P.O. Box 1195
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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Ken".

Ken Plaisted
Navy Co-Chairman
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March 27, 1998

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Subject: Review of Responses to Comments, Draft *On-Shore/Off-Shore Contaminant Fate and Transport Modeling Phase II Work Plan*

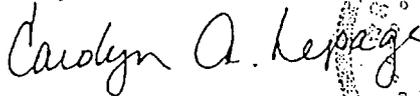
Dear Mr. Vandermark:

We have reviewed the Navy's responses to our comments on the November 1997 draft document, *On-Shore/Off-Shore Contaminant Fate and Transport Modeling Phase II Work Plan*. We reviewed the document late last year and had transmitted comments to you in our letter dated December 15, 1997. We found the Navy's responses to be satisfactory and look forward to the results of the Phase II work. Our only comment is as follows:

Refinement of Partition Coefficient (K_d) Values. In response to comment 2 in our December 15th letter, the Navy stated that the preliminary results of the geochemical modeling performed by Dr. Andrew Reeve for the Maine DEP indicated that little contamination is being transported due to surface complexation of the trace elements, but that lead and mercury would not be retarded due to surface complexation and needed to be evaluated more closely. How, when, and by whom will that evaluation be performed?

If you have any questions regarding the comments above, please give me a call at 207-777-1049.

Sincerely,



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President



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