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Re: Naval Air Warfare Center (NAWC) Warminster, PA

Dear Mr. Kennedy,

I wish to thank you and Mr. Tim Sheehan for meeting yesterday with representatives of the Navy and the EPA to discuss the soil beneath the treatment building footprint that contains elevated levels of metals.

In order to address this soil, we agreed that the Navy has two options: either remove the soil in question or sample it and perform Leachate Procedure Method 1312, the Synthetic Precipitation Leaching Procedure (SPLP) to monitor leaching of the metals into the groundwater. Since PADER does not presently have guidelines with which to compare the results, you would need to establish them to determine the contamination potential of the soil.

On 31 May 1995, Navy representatives again met to select a course of action. The group decided to collect the soil samples and perform the method 1312 analysis. It is anticipated that sample collecting, analyzing and reviewing of results will take approximately 3 weeks. (Samples taken previously are no longer available.) An expanded BCT will be held on 06 June 1995 where this issue will be discussed. We also request that PADER expedite generating the appropriate guidelines against which the leachate results will be compared.

On 30 May 1995, all work was stopped on the treatment facility. On 31 May 1995, the contractor was directed to demobilize his workforce until the BCT shares this information with the TRC and RAB and reaches a consensus decision.

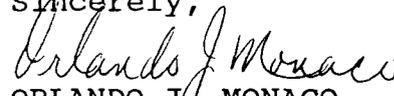
On a separate but related issue, the trenching work to bring a pipeline from Area C to the treatment facility started several months ago and proceeded west to Jacksonville Road. A boring was made under that road to continue the pipeline, with the trenching continuing across the parking lot to the access road. Only the area from the access road to the treatment facility remains. Due to the sensitive nature of the remaining work, I transmitted to

area from the access road to the treatment facility remains. Due to the sensitive nature of the remaining work, I transmitted to you a copy of the contingency and sampling plan for that area for your review and comment. As of today, all work regarding the remaining trenching operations has been stopped while we await your comments, address EPA's comments, address this topic to the TRC and RAB and reach a concensus of the BCT.

Our number one concern continues to be the mitigation of any further spreading of the groundwater contamination which appears to be attributable to Area A. We believe that the presence of this contamination represents the most critical impact to the environment and we remain committed to the protection of the groundwater as soon as possible.

I sincerely appreciate your help in attempting to deal with these matters and look forward to resolving them expeditiously and to everyone's satisfaction.

Sincerely,

  
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