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SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL  
RESPONSE TO U S NAVY COMMENTS ON FINDINGS OF SUITABILITY TO LEASE AND  
ENVIRONMENTAL BASELINE SURVEY FOR LEASE BUILDINGS 13A, 44, 79 AND 79A CNC  
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**RE:** Response to Department's comments on the Finding of Suitability to Lease (FOSL) and Environmental Baseline Survey for Lease (EBSL) for Buildings 13A, 44, 79 and 79A at the Naval Base Charleston.

Dear Mr. Fontenot:

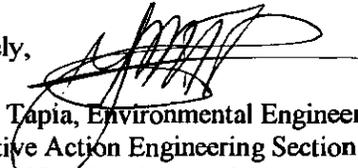
The Department has received and reviewed the above response to comments submitted by letter dated February 13, 1998. In addition, a revised FOSL / EBSL for buildings 13A, 44, 79 and 79A was hand-delivered at the Tier I meeting held in Columbia on March 9 and 10, 1998.

The revised FOSL/EBSL contains more updated and specific information on the current status of building 44 (SWMU 25). According to the updated information, the Annex portion of building 44 was identified as SWMU 25. Currently, the Annex has been demolished and access from the main part of building 44 to the area of the Annex is closed. These measures have lowered the possibility of exposure to contamination present in the Annex area, however these measures are not enough to prevent any possible exposure, due that uncovered contaminated soil remains after the demolition of building 44 Annex.

Provided that the exposed contaminated soil is addressed or a very specific lease restriction (until remedial actions are taken) that prevents any contact with the Annex area is included in the FOSL/EBSL, the remaining part of building 44 could be leased as planned.

If you have questions pertaining to this review please contact me at 803-896-4179 or Ann Ragan at 803-734-4721.

Sincerely,

  
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