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LETTER AND COMMENTS FROM MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REGARDING DRAFT WORK PLAN FOR REMEDIAL INVESTIGATION SITE 3
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Re: Draft Work Plan for a Remedial Investigation at Site 3 - Northwest Landfill/Burning Pit, Naval Construction Battalion Center Gulfport, Mississippi, October 2006.

The Mississippi Office of Pollution Control has reviewed the above referenced document and offers the following comments.

1. Clarification is needed concerning surface and subsurface soil sampling strategies. The text (page 3-6, paragraph 1) describing the conceptual model for Site 3 indicates that subsurface soil (not surface soil) is the primary affected media. The text (page 5-2, last paragraph) states that surface soil (not subsurface soil) will be sampled at selected locations but neither surface or subsurface soil sampling is addressed in the sampling details given on pages 5-3 through 5-5.

2. Clarification is needed concerning the apparent reduction of allowable regulatory document review time. The section entitled Work Schedule (Section 10, pages not numbered) allows 21 working days for review of the draft final (present?) Work Plan. An initial draft Work Plan has not been received. No time is allotted for review of a draft or final Work Plan. The standard document review time has historically been 45 days (barring unforseen circumstances).

3. A Health and Safety Plan for should be provided (for review) with this Work Plan.

Please feel free to contact me if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

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