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Mr. Ashwin Patel
Hazardous Waste Supervisor
Florida Department of Environmental Regulation
7825 Baymeadows Way, Suite B200
Jacksonville, FL 32256-7977

Dear Mr. Patel:

Reference is made to our letter of February 25, 1993 regarding closure of the old Plating Shop at the Naval Aviation Depot at Naval Air Station, Jacksonville.

As explained in our letter, we strongly believe that removal, decontamination and disposal of the hazardous waste tanks in the old Plating Shop should be accomplished by an Interim Removal Action (IRA) in accordance with the Comprehensive Environmental Compensation and Liabilities Act (CERCLA), the National Contingency Plan (NCP) and the Federal Facilities Agreement (FFA). We are enclosing copies of the letters to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Florida Department of Environmental Regulation (FDER) Tallahassee Office dated February 26, 1993 which define the statutes and procedures governing the closure as well as the Navy's plan and schedule.

We want to proceed with removal of the hazardous waste tanks by April 1, 1993 and complete the clean up by August 1, 1993. We request a meeting be scheduled next week with EPA and FDER to address your concerns so we can proceed with our mutual goal to expeditiously clean up this site.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Kevin Gartland at (904) 772-2717.

Sincerely,

CHARLES R. CRAMER
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosures

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