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LETTER AND COMMENTS FROM U S EPA REGION IV REGARDING SUMMARY REPORT  
FOR SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT UNITS 6 AND 7 LOW TEMPERATURE THERMAL  
DESORPTION DEMONSTRATION NS MAYPORT FL  
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SUBJ: NAVSTA Mayport, FL  
Summary Report for Low Temperature Thermal Desorption (LTTD) at  
SWMUs 6 & 7, Southwest Soil Remediation, Inc. - NELP Technology  
EPA I.D. FL9 170 024 260

Dear Mr. McGill:

I have reviewed the Summary Report for the LTTD at SWMUs 6 and 7 that was produced by Southwest Soil Remediation, Inc (SSR). SSR performed this work as a demonstration project for new technologies under the Naval Environmental Leadership Program (NELP). Following are my comments:

- o In the first full paragraph on page 3, SSR states that it excavated about 960 tons of soil, to a maximum depth of 3 feet below ground surface. On Section 2.1 on page 5, SSR states that it excavated 1350 tons of soil at a maximum depth of 5 feet below ground surface. This discrepancy should be fixed.
- o This report seems sufficient as documentation of what SSR accomplished during the project. However, the report would better fulfill its intended purpose of addressing the usefulness of the technology if SSR included a conclusion section addressing the benefits vs. problems SSR experienced during implementation. I realize, though, that this may be out of scope for this project.

If you have any questions about these comments, please call me at 404/562-8533.

Sincerely,

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