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RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Commanding Officer
Attn: Ms. Linda Martin - Code 1851
SOUTHNAVFACENGCOM
P.O. Box 190010
North Charleston, South Carolina 29419-9010

Re: Sampling and Analysis Plans (SAPs) for Investigative
Categories 2 & 3;
NAS Pensacola, Florida
EPA Site ID No.: FL 9170024567

Dear Ms. Martin:

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has completed its review of the replacement pages provided by the Navy for insertion in the Sampling and Analysis Plans (SAPs) for Investigative Categories 2 (Sites 1, 25, 27 & 39) and 3 (Sites 2, 11, 30 & 38). The replacement pages adequately address EPA's concerns. Regarding the replacement text which describes the Navy's plans to conduct the assessment of on-site ecological impacts for each site, it is assumed that any field work beyond the Phase I habitat/biota survey (e.g. Phase 11) which is needed to complete these assessments will be done in a timely manner which does not impact the current submittal dates for the Draft RI or FS Reports for these sites.

Given the receipt of complete and acceptable SAPs for Sites 2, 25, 27 and 39, EPA hereby approves the RI/FS Work Plans for these sites. The RI/FS Work Plans for Sites 1, 11, 30 and 38 will be considered for final approval once the Navy has adequately addressed any comments which EPA has on the recently submitted "Proposed Field Changes" and "Addendums" for these sites. Finally, EPA still has serious concerns regarding the Navy's use of permanent monitoring wells to delineate groundwater contamination. EPA may not accept this method for use at sites where field work has not yet begun.

If you have any questions or comments regarding these issues,
please contact me at 404/347-3016.

Sincerely yours,



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