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RE: Draft Preliminary Site Characterization Report, Site 18, NAS
Pensacola

Dear Mr. Hill:

I have completed the technical review of the above referenced document dated July 31, 1996 (received July 26, 1996) and provide the following comments.

1. In the document abstract, the Executive Summary, Section 9.3 (Conclusion) and Section 10 (Conclusions and Recommendations), it should indicate the reason the FDEP agrees to no further investigation or remedial action is as follows:

The state does not accept weighted averaging of contamination. However, only a single sample exceeded the State's Residential Soil Cleanup Goal (SCG) and only slightly exceeded the Industrial SCG. As the site is currently industrial and weighted averaging indicated that no area exceeded the Residential SCG, the FDEP is willing to accept no further investigation or remedial action at this site as long as it is restricted for industrial use.

2. In Section 6.3 (Conclusions), delete the sentence: "It is possibly related to an area of petroleum contamination centered approximately 100 yards to the west of Site 18 proper." The source of the lead contamination is unknown and this area has been designated as a new site.
3. In Section 10.0 (Conclusions and Recommendations), delete the phrase: "but may be associated with an area of petroleum

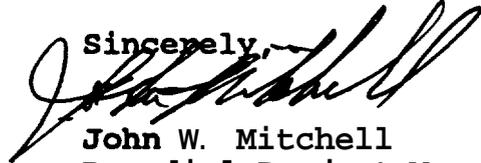
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contamination centered 100 yards west of the site." See comment No. 2.

Also in this section on Page 10-2, change the phrase "PAHs do not appear to be a problem at the site" to PAHs do not exceed the Industrial SCG.

If I can be of any further assistance with this matter, please contact me at (904) 921-9989.

Sincerely,



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