



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
 REGION 4
 ATLANTA FEDERAL CENTER
 61 FORSYTH STREET
 ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303-8960

32501.001
 05.01.01.0011

N00204.AR.001830
 NAS PENSACOLA
 5090.3a

SEP 28 1999

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

4WD-FFB

Commanding Officer
 Naval Air Station Pensacola
 190 Radford Boulevard
 Pensacola, Florida 32508-5217

SUBJ: Explanation of Significant Differences
 Operable Unit 1, Site 1
 Naval Air Station Pensacola
 Pensacola, Florida

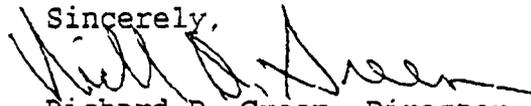
Dear Sir:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 4 has **reviewed** the above subject decision document and concurs with the explanation of significant differences for the Remedial Action at Site 1. This remedy is supported by the previously completed Remedial investigation, Feasibility Study and Baseline **Risk** Assessment Reports.

The significant difference to the August 1998 Record of Decision (ROD) is the discharge location of the groundwater. The groundwater is now being discharged into the **Navy's wastewater** system **where** it will undergo treatment. The original **selected** remedy involved extracting groundwater downgradient of the landfill, treating it, then discharging into Wetland 3 on **base**.

This action is protective of human health and the environment, complies with Federal and State requirements that are legally applicable or relevant and appropriate to the remedial action **and** is cost effective.

Sincerely,


 Richard D. Green, Director
 Waste Management Division

cc: Elsie Munsell, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy
 Ron Joyner, NAS Pensacola
 Bill Hill, SOUTH DIV
 Joe Fugitt, FDEP