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Subject: Site 45, Remedial Investigation, Pensacola Naval Air Station, Pensacola, FL

Dear Mr. Hill:

EPA has reviewed the above referenced document. We offer the following comments.

SPECIFIC COMMENTS

We agree with the recommendations and conclusions that are presented in the document. The recommendation to execute a soil removal action in order to reduce risks is particularly appropriate considering the high contaminant levels. Also, be advised that any remedial approach involving natural attenuation will require that a rigorous and detailed justification be presented in the feasibility study. I am attaching a document that I put together that I call "Things to consider before you consider MNA". Please use this as a possible starting point in your deliberations concerning MNA.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact me in writing or at 404.562.8544.

Sincerely,

Senior Remedial Project Manager

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