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LETTER REGARDING THE SUBMITTAL OF DRAFT PROPOSED PLAN FOR SITE 45 NAS
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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4
Federal Facilities Branch
Sam Nunn Atlanta Federal Center
Attn: Ms. Julie Corkran, PhD
61 Forsyth Street, SW
Atlanta, GA 30303

Dear Ms. Corkran:

**SUBJECT: SUBMITTAL OF THE DRAFT PROPOSED PLAN FOR OPERABLE UNIT 20,
SITE 45, NAVAL AIR STATION PENSACOLA, FLORIDA**

The Navy submitted the Draft Proposed Plan for Operable Unit 20, Site 45, Building 603 Lead Site at Naval Air Station Pensacola (NASP), Florida to U.S. EPA and FDEP on August 12, 2010. Per FFA Primary Document review and comment requirements, EPA and FDEP comments on that draft were due to the Navy on or before December 15, 2010. Although we have received FDEP's comments on that draft document, we have yet to receive EPA's comments.

The Navy is aware that by letter dated March 17, 2011, EPA Region 4 invoked informal dispute over our draft final Proposed Plan submission for Site 44, and therein proposed that the Team temporarily suspend all FY 2011 Milestones for Operable Units 20 and 21 which would include Site 45. To date, however, there has been no agreement amongst the Team on that issue and Site 45 does not directly fall under the scope of that particular invocation. Thus, the Navy believes that the FFA's consultation procedures including agency review and comment timelines applying to Site 45 should still be adhered to unless and until otherwise agreed to by the Team so that the CERCLA process for those sites can expeditiously proceed.

We look forward to discussing this issue further in our upcoming Team meeting next week. Should you require further details or clarifications in the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Patty Marajh-Whittemore at: (904) 542-6202 or by email at: patty.whittemore@navy.mil.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Helen S. Lockard".

H. S. LOCKARD, PE
IPT GC Restoration Section Head
By direction of the Commanding Officer

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