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LETTER REGARDING WHITE PAPER ADDENDUM FOR RECORD OF DECISION FOR SITE
43 DEMOLITION DEBRIS DISPOSAL AREA NAS PENSACOLA FL
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Dear Mr. Grabka:

SUBJECT: WHITE PAPER ADDENDUM - RECORD OF DECISION FOR SITE 43 - DEMOLITION
DEBRIS DISPOSAL AREA NAVAL AIR STATION PENSACOLA (NASP), PENSACOLA,
FLORIDA

Pursuant to your request, this letter is to confirm that we know of no available records evidencing any historical activity onboard NASP which may have resulted in a CERCLA release(s) in the vicinity of Site 43 for which the elevated levels of iron and manganese found in groundwater at that site may now be attributed.

Attached as enclosure (1) is a figure depicting the nearest known CERCLA sites. Given that groundwater data has clearly established that groundwater flow at Site 43 is towards the east, there is no reason to believe that the nearest sites (Sites 10, 27 and 30), which lie either down-gradient or cross-gradient to Site 43, could possibly be potential contaminant source areas. The nearest up-gradient CERCLA sites (OU 13, Sites 8 & 24) are located approximately 3,500 feet west of Site 43. For various reasons previously discussed, the NASP Partnering Team has likewise never considered OU13 to be a potential contributor to the groundwater contamination found at Site 43.

Based upon all available information, the Navy continues to believe that naturally occurring conditions at Site 43 are still the most plausible explanation for the elevated levels of iron and manganese which have been found there.

If you should have any questions or are in need of additional information, please contact Ms. Patty Whittemore at (904) 542-6964.

Sincerely,

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Gulf Coast Integrated Product Team
By direction of the Commanding Officer

Enclosure: 1. Figure depicting nearest known CERCLA sites

Copy to: NASP PWC (Mr. Greg Campbell); EPA, Region 4 (Mr. Gregory Fraley); NAVFAC SE, OPUE3 (Ms. Helen Lockard)

