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UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION II

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NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10278

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**CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

Mr. Jose Negron, Director
Public Works Department of Environmental
Engineering Division
US Naval Station
Roosevelt Roads
Ceiba, PR 00736

Re: Atlantic Fleet Weapons, Vieques, PR

Dear Mr. Negron:

On November 5, 1991, our office requested your agency to submit, as required by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA), a Preliminary Assessment (PA) report and PA scoresheets to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for the Atlantic Fleet Weapons, Vieques, PR. To date, we have not received the subject forms which should have been submitted within six months of your receipt of the aforementioned letter. The required forms are now well overdue.

As you may already know, SARA mandates that every federal facility on the Federal Agency Hazardous Waste Compliance Docket ("docket") complete a PA and Site Inspection (SI), if warranted, within 18 months of the facility being listed on the docket. The Atlantic Fleet Weapons facility was added to the EPA Region II docket on September 27, 1991. Furthermore, EPA must evaluate each federal facility for possible inclusion on the National Priorities List (NPL) within 30 months of its being listed on the docket. Hence, your agency's failure to submit the subject PA within the required timeframes could prohibit EPA from meeting the deadlines mandated under SARA for NPL evaluation of your site. Please note that the PA is only the first step in the overall site evaluation process. Further information may be needed (i.e., SI) in order to fully evaluate your facility.

We are, once again, requesting that you submit the appropriate forms (PA checklist, PA report form and PA scoresheets) within 30 days of receipt of this letter. The requested information should be sent to:



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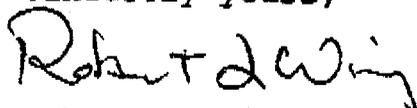
Ms. Helen Shannon
Regional Docket Coordinator
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
26 Federal Plaza, Room 2930
New York, New York 10278

Please contact this office if you have lost the required forms which you must submit.

This follow up request is being made pursuant to authority of Section 104(e) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), 42 U.S.C. Section 9604. Failure to comply with this request may result in issuance of an order with concurrence of the U.S. Attorney General requiring compliance 42 USC Section 9604(e)(5).

Your cooperation in this matter is appreciated. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Shannon at (212) 264-6664.

Sincerely yours,



Robert J. Wing, Chief
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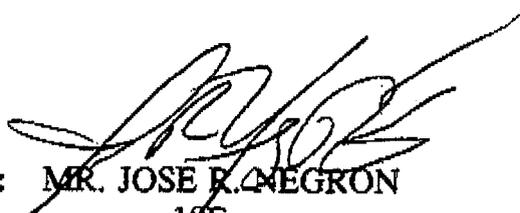
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TO: JAMES SZYKMAN
COMMAND: LANTDIV, NORFOLK
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DATE: 25 Sep 92

SUBJECT: PA/SI LETTER FROM EPA

MESSAGE: ENCLOSED PLEASE FIND THE SUBJECT INFORMATION. WE NEED TO ENSURE THAT A RESPONSE BE ADRESSED TO EPA BEFORE DUE DATE. PLEASE CALL THE PROGRAM MANAGER, MR. SINDULFO CASTILLO, AT (809) 865-4429, WITH ANY QUESTIONS YOU MIGHT HAVE REGARDING THE INFORMATION PROVIDED.


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