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LETTER REGARDING U S EPA REGION IV COMMENTS ON SITE 38 FEASIBILITY STUDY  
NAS WHITING FIELD FL  
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SUBJECT: NAS Whiting Field, Florida  
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Dear Ms. Martin:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has received (electronically) and reviewed the following document:

- **Feasibility Study for Surface and Subsurface Soils at Site 38 – Building 2877, Former Golf Course Maintenance Building, Rev. 0, June 2005, NAS Whiting Field, Milton, FL (Tetra Tech NUS, Inc.).**

Enclosed are EPA's review comments. If you should have any questions, please contact me at (404) 562-8555.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Craig A. Benedikt".

Craig A. Benedikt  
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Enclosure

cc: James Cason, FDEP

**EPA Review Comments  
Feasibility Study for  
Surface and Subsurface Soils at  
Site 38 – Building 2877, Former Golf Course Maintenance Building  
NAS Whiting Field, Milton, FL  
Rev. 0  
June 2005**

1. **Page ix, Foreword:** In the fourth paragraph, only the Preliminary Assessment (PA) and Site Inspection (SI) phases apply to sites with suspected releases of hazardous substances. The RI/FS, RD and remedial action phases apply to those sites with confirmed releases of hazardous substances.
2. **Page ES-2, Executive Summary:** In the first sentence of the third paragraph on this page, insert “Region IX” in between “USEPA” and “Residential”.
3. **Page 1-2, Section 1.0:** In the first bulleted item, change “Chemicals” to “Constituents”. In the third bulleted item, change “contaminants of concern” to “constituents of concern (COCs)”.
4. **Page 1-7, Figure 1-1:** Please change the orientation of this figure on the page and increase its size.
5. **Page 2-2, Section 2.0:** In the second sentence of the first paragraph on this page, change “USEPA Region IV RAGS” to “USEPA Region IX PRGs”.
6. **Page 2-2, Section 2.1.1:** In the discussion of surface soil, insert “Region IX” in between “USEPA” and “Residential”. In addition, the term “FDEP DE1 SCTL” should be defined.
7. **Page 2-8, Section 2.2.2:** Remove the bold formatting of the sentences following the RAO 1 and RAO 2 headings.
8. **Page 2-11, Table 2-2:** 5-year reviews are not required for a No Action remedy. Remove this requirement from the description of the No Action remedy.
9. **Page 2-14, Table 2-5:** 5-year reviews are not required for a No Action remedy. Remove this requirement from the description of the S38-1, No Action remedial alternative description.
10. **Page 2-17, Section 2.4.1.2.1:** A brief description of the type of LUC to be implemented should be provided in this section in addition to or in lieu of Appendix D.
11. **Page 2-18, Section 2.4.1.2.2:** The last sentence of the first paragraph of the Long-Term Effectiveness and Permanence discussion should be revised as follows: “A 5-year review would be required to assess the effectiveness of the LUC remedy in protecting human health and the environment”.
12. **Page 2-22, Section 2.5:** In the last sentence of the first paragraph, change “...response summary to the Proposed Plan” to “...responsiveness summary in the Record of Decision”.
13. **Page 2-28, Section 2.5.4:** Alternatives S38-1 and S38-2 do not reduce the mobility or toxicity of the chemical constituents as stated in the first paragraph. Only alternative S38-3 has an effect on the mobility or the toxicity.

14. **Page 2-30, Section 2.5.9:** Change the sentence in this section as follows: “The information concerning community acceptance will be addressed following public comment on the Proposed Plan for Site 38 in the form of a responsiveness summary to be included in the Record of Decision for the site”.
15. **Page R-1, References:** Please state the subject of the April 30, 2004, letter from James Cason to Linda Martin, listed as the fifth reference.