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LETTER AND U S NAVY RESPONSE TO U S EPA REGION 4 COMMENTS ON FEASIBILITY
STUDY FOR SURFACE AND SUBSURFACE SOIL AT SITES 3, 4, 6, 30, 32, AND 33 NAS
WHITING FIELD FL
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Subject: Response to EPA's Draft Feasibility Study Comments
For Surface and Subsurface Soil
Sites 3, 4, 6, 30, 32, and 33
NAS Whiting Field, Milton, Florida

Reference: CLEAN Contract No. N62467-94-D-0888
Contract Task Order No. 0028

Dear Ms. Martin:

Tetra Tech NUS, Inc. is pleased to submit responses to EPA's comments on the Draft Feasibility Study for Surface and Subsurface Soils at Sites 3, 4, 6, 30, 32, and 33, Naval Air Station Whiting Field in Milton, Florida.

Copies of the responses have been forwarded to the persons listed below on behalf of Southern Division, Naval Facilities Engineering Command for Naval Air Station Whiting Field.

Please call me at (865) 483-9900 if you have any questions or comments regarding this submittal.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Phillip E. Ottinger".

Phillip E. Ottinger
Task Order Manager

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Enclosure

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Mr. Jim Cason, FDEP (2 copies)
Mr. Terry Hansen, Tetra Tech NUS (1 copy)
Mr. Jim Holland, NAS Whiting Field (1 copy)
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RESPONSE TO COMMENTS

United States Environmental Protection Agency Comments Feasibility Study for Surface and Subsurface Soil at Sites 3, 4, 6, 30, 32, & 33

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Specific Comments

1. **Page ES-4, Site 30 Description.** In the first sentence of the second paragraph, remove the word "organics".

Response:

The document will be revised as suggested.

2. **Page 1-1, Section 1.0.** The first sentence of the first paragraph should state that the FS is intended to address the surface and subsurface soils at Sites 3, 4, 6, 30, 32, and 33 rather than for the direct contact of soil.

Response:

The document will be revised as suggested.

3. **Page 2-4, Section 2.2.** the word "addressing" should be changed to "address" in the second sentence of the first paragraph.

Response:

The document will be revised as suggested.

4. **Page 2-8, Section 2.2.2.** In the second sentence of the second paragraph, insert the word "anticipated" in between the words "and" and "future". It cannot be stated with complete certainty that the site will remain industrial in the future; however, it is anticipated that the site will continue to be utilized for industrial purposes. This change should also be made elsewhere in the document where future land use is discussed.

Response:

The document will be revised as suggested.

5. **Page 2-12, Section 2.2.5, Areas and Volumes.** The first sentence of the second paragraph should be reworded as follows: "Arsenic was detected in Sample 3SB01 at 0-2 feet bgs and 5-7 feet bgs."

Response:

The document will be revised as suggested.

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- 6. In the "Summary of Comparative Analysis of Soil Alternatives" table for all sites included in the FS, Appendix E should be referenced in order to provide information related to how the Total Projected Present Worth Cost figure was calculated for each remedial alternative.**

Response:

The document will be revised as suggested.

- 7. Page 7-3, Section 7.1.2. Delete the second paragraph on this page, this information is repeated in the Ecological Risk Assessment Results section further down the page.**

Response:

The document will be revised as suggested.