

Memorandum

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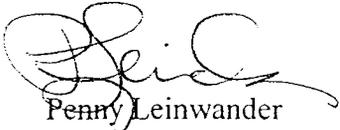
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Subject: Comments on the Draft Remedial Investigation Report for Operable Unit 2C, Sites 5, 10 and 12, Alameda Point, Alameda, California, Volumes I thru III, July 1 2005.

Attached are DHS comments on the subject document. This review was performed Robert L. Wilson (Associate Health Physicist), in support of the Interagency Agreement between DTSC and DHS.

If you have any questions concerning this review, or if you need additional information, please contact Mr. Robert Wilson at (916) 449-5688.



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General Comments:

1. The effort, time and cost the Navy has expended in providing this comprehensive and detailed remedial investigation (RI) report is greatly appreciated. We acknowledge the Navy for its environmental commitment to the people of California and we look forward to working with the Navy in this endeavor.
2. We are anticipating the completion of the Alameda Point historical radiological assessment (HRA) and its planned incorporation with future applicable remedial investigation reports. At this point in the CERCLA process, a completed HRA would expedite the resolution of future environmental issues relative to radiological matters.

While DHS generally concurs with most of the relevant information in this RI report, due to the currently incomplete HRA document, DHS must consider this RI report, with all the information related to radiological issues, as currently incomplete.

DHS formally requests that this RI report remain in draft status review until all concerned agencies finalize the Alameda Point HRA.

Specific Comment:

1. Reference "General Comment #2" above;

While DHS does have a number of specific comments forthcoming, DHS will anticipate the completion of the Final Alameda Point HRA and its impact (if any) on this RI report prior to issuing relevant comments.

DHS is concerned that the historical information available with the current **incomplete Alameda Point HRA** may be considered irrelevant and this delayed Final HRA action may deeply affect the ongoing CERCLA process at Alameda.