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TECHNICAL MEMORANDUM FOR PHANTOM TEMPORARY ACCUMULATION AREA (TAA) SITES 29A AND 29B, MARINE CORPS AIR STATION (MCAS) EL TORO

Dear Mr. Gould:

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) reviewed the above report dated November 1999 and received by this office on November 22, 1999. The report presents the results of the record search activities and visual inspection of TAA 29A and 29B. TAA 29A and 29B were also given different designations in the *Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Facility Assessment (RFA)* (Jacobs Engineering Group (JEG), 1993) and associated addendum (Bechtel National, Inc., 1996) and the *Final Environmental Baseline Survey (EBS) Report* (Navy, 1995) as shown below.

	<u>RFA Designation</u>	<u>EBS Designation</u>
TAA 29A	Solid Waste Management Unit (SWMU) 30	SAA 29A
TAA 29B	SWMU 31	SAA 29B

Evidence of stains or discolored soils were not observed during the visual site inspection of conducted by the Navy on October 30, 1999. Evidence or documentation of prior use of the area for storage of hazardous substances was not found during review of environmental program documents and historical property records.

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Additionally, soil samples were collected from one location at TAA 29A (SWMU 30) as part of the RFA. Analytical results indicated total fuel hydrocarbons (gasoline) concentrations were detected in one sample at 0.072 milligrams per kilogram (mg/kg). Based on verbal discussions with the Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB), the detected concentration of hydrocarbons does not require further action.

TAA 29B was included within the investigation boundary of Installation Restoration Program (IRP) Site 15 that received no further action status in 1997.

Although sampling was conducted, the report recommends that TAA 29A and TAA 29B be considered phantom (or non-existent) sites and deleted from the next update of the *Base Reuse and Closure (BRAC) Cleanup Plan (BCP)* based on evaluation of field inspection results, environmental program documents, and historical property records.

Based on review of the technical memorandum, DTSC concurs with the proposed phantom designation and deletion from the next BCP update.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (714) 484-5395.

Sincerely,



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Note: the TAA sites are located adjacent to IRP Site 15.