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Dear Walter:

This letter is to confirm our meeting of April 5th and 6th to discuss data needs associated with the risk assessments for the National Priorities List sites, Camp Pendleton, El Toro, Barstow and Yuma. Based on discussions with you, we are planning on a one half-day meeting per site, as follows: Yuma 4/5, 9:00-12:00; El Toro 4/5, 1:00-4:00; Camp Pendleton 4/6, 9-12; Barstow 4/6, 1-4, with flexibility as needed.

The following is an outline of the background information we would like to have provided for us at the meetings in order to facilitate the site-specific risk assessment discussions.

General Site Description

- A. Geography (e.g., surface water bodies, topography)
- B. Base land use (e.g., location of buildings, natural areas)
- C. Surrounding land uses within 2-3 miles
- D. Population on-base and in surrounding areas
- E. Meteorology (e.g., rainfall, prevailing wind direction)
- F. Contamination (e.g., what is known, what was sampled for, what was found, what chemicals were used historically)
- G. Geology (e.g. cross sections)
- H. An outline of the risk assessment, if available
- I. Exposure pathways

Since our time will be limited, coverage of these topics should be fairly brief, and we realize in some cases minimal information is available at this point.

The objective of our meetings will be to consider the risk assessment uses of the data gathered during the Remedial Investigation (RI) and planned for in the RI Workplan. We are concerned that the appropriate chemicals are sampled for and analyzed, at low enough detection limits to be useful for risk assessment pur-

poses. Areas and media to be sampled will be considered in terms of exposure pathways. In addition, the means to obtain and use the most up-to-date cancer potency factors, reference doses and other toxicological information will be discussed. We will be prepared to discuss EPA's most recent risk assessment guidance.

We look forward to meeting with you. Please call me at (415) 744-1176 or 387-6731 if you have any questions. Thank you.

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