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Dear Mr. Joyce:

**REQUEST FOR EXTENSIONS TO THE FEDERAL FACILITY AGREEMENT
(FFA) SCHEDULES, MARINE CORPS AIR STATION (MCAS) EI TORO**

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) has received your letter dated April 2, 1998, requesting extensions of the deadlines set forth in Appendix A of the FFA for MCAS El Toro. A revised FFA Appendix A schedule dated April 2, 1998 accompanied your letter as Enclosure #1. Your letter outlined justification for the requested schedule extensions. DTSC's response to each request is as follows:

1. OU-1, Site 18 and OU-2A, Site 24 Groundwater

You requested a 5-month extension for submittal of the Draft Proposed Plan (PP) and Draft Record of Decision (ROD) for OU-1 and OU-2A. The extensions are needed because an additional two months were required to resolve the United States Environmental Protection Agency (US-EPA) concerns regarding the point of compliance in the OU-2A draft final Feasibility Study (FS). Also, an agreement has not been reached between Department of Navy and Orange County Water District regarding a joint multi-purpose groundwater project. The extensions of the project completion deadlines are necessary to support these ongoing negotiations. DTSC approves your request for the extensions. The new due dates for submittal of the PP, and ROD are August 24, 1998, and June 3, 1999, respectively.

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2. OU-2B, Sites 2 & 17 Landfills and OU-2C, Sites 3 & 5

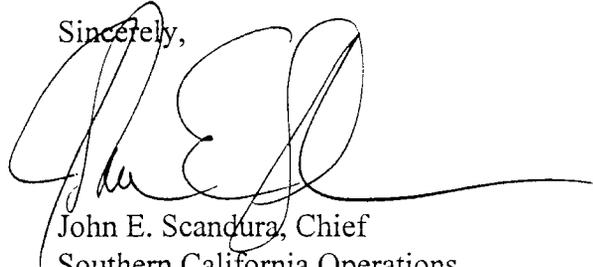
The letter requested a 2-month extension for submittal of the draft ROD. According to your letter, the extension is needed because both the community Local Redevelopment Authority (LRA) and DTSC requested an additional two months for further discussions regarding proposed landfill remedial actions and the reuse of the areas that surround the landfill sites. Although we note that the Marines refused to grant DTSC's earlier request for a 60-day extension to resolve these same issues, we approve your request for the extensions. The new due date for submittal of the draft ROD is August 4, 1998.

3. OU-3, Sites 8, 11, & 12

The letter requested an extension of two months to submit the draft PP and draft ROD because US-EPA requested additional time to review the draft final FS. DTSC approves your request for the extensions. The new due dates for submittal of PP and ROD are June 18, 1998, and February 26, 1999, respectively.

We look forward to working with you to facilitate cleanup efforts at MCAS El Toro. If you have any questions, please call Mr. Tayseer Mahmoud at (714) 484-5418.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John E. Scandura', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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