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Dear Mr. Joyce:

**REQUEST FOR EXTENSIONS TO THE FEDERAL FACILITY AGREEMENT
(FFA) SCHEDULE, OPERABLE UNITS (OU) 1, SITE 18, AND OU-2A, SITE 24
(GROUNDWATER), MARINE CORPS AIR STATION (MCAS) EI TORO**

This is to confirm that the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) has received your letter dated September 30, 1997 in which you have requested that DTSC approve extensions of six deadlines set forth in Appendix A of the FFA for MCAS El Toro. Your letter also included a proposed revision of FFA Appendix A as Enclosure #1. It is my understanding that the rationale for the extensions are based upon the fact that an agreement has not been reached between Department of Navy (DON) and Orange County Water District regarding a joint multi-purpose groundwater project. Therefore, you have advised us that the extensions of the project completion deadlines are necessary to support these ongoing negotiations.

The specific deadlines for which you have requested extensions are:

- 1) OU-1, Site 18 Draft Final Interim Action Feasibility Study - 2-month extension.
- 2) OU-1, Site 18 Re-Draft Proposed Plan (PP) - 5-month extension.
- 3) OU-1, Site 18 Draft Interim Record of Decision (ROD) - 9-month extension.
- 4) OU-2A, Site 24 Draft Final Feasibility Study - 2-month extension.
- 5) OU-2A, Site 24 Draft PP - 5-month extension.
- 6) OU-2A, Site 24 Draft ROD - 9-month extension.

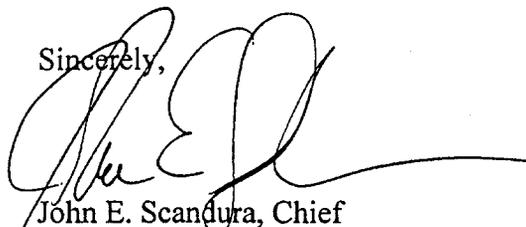
We agree with your recommendation that the BRAC Cleanup Team members should meet to discuss the proposed new schedule, and we acknowledge that DON has granted an extension to the regulatory agencies to allow for more than the seven-day response time prescribed in the FFA to address this request. We look forward to

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meeting you to discuss the proposed new FFA schedule. DTSC will make a decision on your extension request after the meeting. Please contact Mr. Tayseer Mahmoud at (562) 590-4891 to schedule the meeting, or to discuss any questions or comments you may have about this matter.

Sincerely,



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