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October 17, 2003

Base Realignment and Closure
Attn: Mr. F. Andrew Piszkin, P.E.
BRAC Environmental Coordinator
7040 Trabuco Road
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COMMENTS ON DRAFT PRE-DESIGN INVESTIGATION TECHNICAL MEMORANDUM, OPERABLE UNIT 2C, LANDFILL SITES 3 AND 5, FORMER MARINE CORPS AIR STATION, EL TORO

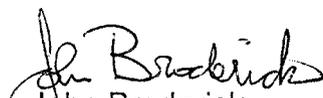
Dear Mr. Piszkin:

We have reviewed the above referenced document, dated August 2003, which we received August 6, 2003. We have the following comments:

Site 3 is a location where municipal and industrial waste was disposed in a landfill from 1943 through 1955. A former waste incineration site is located adjacent to Site 3. We are concerned that no incinerator ash and associated residuals were discovered in trenches or potholes. You have drastically altered the boundaries of waste disposal at Site 3 based on this investigation's results. The Site 3 boundaries were based on all previous investigations up through the Remedial Investigation. We are concerned that large areas of incinerator ash disposal may exist outside the new site boundaries.

For any questions please call me at (909) 782-4494 or email me at jbroderic@rb8.swrcb.ca.gov.

Sincerely,


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