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Subject: Draft Operating Properly and Successfully (OPS) Evaluation Report for Operable
Unit 3, IRP Site 16, Crash Crew Training Pit No.2
Former Marine Corps Air Station El Toro, California

Mr. Newton:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has reviewed the subject draft OPS evaluation dated 1 March 2006. We have found the document to be thorough and cover the requirements established in guidance for an OPS demonstration. We have one general comment to offer on the draft document:

EPA provided concurrence on the Draft Final Remedial Design (RD) for Site 16 on 20 January 2006 with State concurrence occurring on 15 March 2006. It is recommended that the OPS Evaluation Report be edited to update that the RD has been finalized for this site in the numerous sections where this document is cited.

If you should have any questions/concerns, please contact me at 415-972-3349.

Sincerely,



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