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Encl: (1) Meeting Summary, Hunters Point Annex, Monthly Agency Meeting,
September 28, 1988

1. Enclosure (1) is a summary of our discussions during the monthly agency meeting held on September 28, 1988 at Naval Station, Treasure Island, San Francisco, California. The topics are related to the Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study at Naval Station, Treasure Island, Hunters Point Annex.

2. Should you have any questions regarding this matter, the point of contact is Commander, Western Division, Naval Facilities Engineering Command (Attn: Ms. Louise T. Lew, Cole 1811, (415) 877-7505).

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MONTHLY MEETING SUMMARY
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SEPTEMBER 28, 1988
TREASURE ISLAND, CALIFORNIA

Attendees: L. Teague, HLA; D.H. Peterson, HLA; R. Block, ATT; J. Ruzicka, COMNAVBASE; K. Tung, NAVSTATI; A. Dong, WESTDIV; R. Seraydarian, WESTDIV; W. Owen, DHS

I. STATUS OF WORK PLAN DOCUMENTS

- o The Department of Health Services (DHS) indicated that the Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) has told them that the RWQCB does not have staff assigned for review of Hunters Point project documents beyond the Solid Waste Assessment Test and, therefore, will not be providing comments on the documents received to date. Consequently, the DHS will proceed to review the work plans without RWQCB input. The Navy will continue to send copies of the work plan documents to the RWQCB and ask for review, although the DHS has indicated that the Navy will not need to wait for a reply. This, however, does not bar the RWQCB from becoming involved in the HPA project in the future.
- o The Navy indicated that the response letters for the Group I, III, and IV Sampling Plans and the final QAPP were sent to the DHS. DHS will be the only agency responding to the letters. They have indicated that the Department of Fish and Wildlife does not seem interested in responding to the work plan documents. NOAA has already provided some input, particularly for the Group I Sampling Plan. The Navy indicated that the DHS review of the final QAPP was of highest priority, as the field program is contingent upon an approved QAPP. Bill Owen indicated that he will likely be able to respond to all of the response letters within about 3 weeks; at Navy request, he will focus on the response letter for the QAPP first.
- o Bill Owen indicated that he is reviewing the final Group II Sampling Plan; he sees a few necessary minor revisions, but indicated that none of these should affect the overall RI/FS schedule.
- o The Final Air Sampling Plan has been reviewed by the DHS and is acceptable. The DHS will issue a letter to the Navy formalizing their approval of the plan.
- o Supplement to the Air Sampling Plan (SWAQAT Plan): the Navy is awaiting comments from the BAAQMD. The DHS will not provide comments on this document.

- o The Navy indicated that they have requested a 3-week extension of the due date from the DHS for response to comments on the PHEE Plan. The DHS indicated that a 3-week extension is acceptable.
- o DHS indicated that they have not yet received the letter describing the proposed soil gas surveys. HLA indicated that the letter was sent out; evidently it has not been routed to Bill Owen yet. HLA provided Mr. Owen with a copy of the letter at the meeting.
- o The Navy indicated that the draft Project Management, Data Management, and Feasibility Study plans have been submitted to the agencies for review; however these documents are not as high a priority for agency turnaround since they do not directly impact the beginning of the RI field work.
- o The Navy has received a copy of EPA's letter to DHS regarding the Community Relations Plan (CRP). The Navy is waiting for an official letter from the DHS regarding comments to the CRP. Bill Owen will check with DHS staff on the status of the review and comment letter.

II. STATUS OF OTHER DOCUMENTS

- o The only MILCON work plan comments received to date by the Navy from the agencies are for the Galley and South Pier sites. The Navy indicated that the South Pier upgrade is the only project that will be funded for the next fiscal year. The Navy is currently performing localized cleanups of the site, including removal of PCBs in a transformer at the site and removal of surface soils containing oil and grease and metals in an area behind Building 368. RWQCB comments on the South Pier work plan included recommendations for long-term monitoring with wells. The Navy is considering this monitoring to be part of the overall RI/FS. Mr. Owen concurred that this would be a reasonable approach.
- o The Navy has not received official comments regarding the Housing Areas 1 and 2 Risk Assessment. Mr. Owen will check with DHS staff on the status of the response comments.
- o A surface-water sampling report for the winter of 1987-1988 was submitted to the RWQCB for review; however, no comments have been received. The Navy inquired as to what will be required from DHS, as the RWQCB may not be responding to Hunters Point documents, at least in the short term. The Navy discussed a surface-water program with U.S. Geological Survey. However, it was concluded that it would be nearly impossible to develop a sampling program that would provide adequate quantification of runoff, because tidal influence on the storm sewer system. The Navy inquired whether a hydrologist is available from DHS to discuss a surface-water sampling program. HLA indicated they can provide hydrologists to assist in establishing a program. Mr. Owen

indicated he will check with the technical services group to see if a hydrologist would be available to assist. However, DHS will wait until the formal USGS response is received and attach this to the Navy's formal request for DHS involvement.

- o The Navy summarized the status of the underground tank program. Twenty-seven tanks are thought to be present on site; 23 of the tanks have been located by geophysical surveys and visual methods. Of the 23, the contents of 20 have been sampled, 2 are dry, and the access piping is blocked in the remaining tank. The samples from the 20 tanks were analyzed and found to contain petroleum products. The analyses indicate that the tanks were not used to store any other materials except fuels. The next phase will be to obtain soil and ground-water samples, and then perform tank removals and, if any are found to be leaking, to perform further investigation. Most of the tanks are planned to be removed, although some larger buried tanks may be abandoned in place (for example, a large concrete underground tank). The Navy will plan to move ahead with the underground tank program and not wait for RWQCB input.

Only two of the underground tanks are known to lie within an RI site; two tanks are present at the Scrap Yard. The removals are not within the direct jurisdiction of DHS; however, the Navy will send copies of the reports generated during this program to DHS. A report will be ready in about one month. The DHS will defer the underground tank program to San Francisco County and the RWQCB.

III. RECONNAISSANCE ACTIVITIES

- o The DHS requested a letter summarizing the results of the geophysical testing program, to be submitted separately from the final report for all of the reconnaissance activities.
- o The DHS did not have a problem with the Navy proceeding with the Phase II reconnaissance work prior to finalization of the QAPP. The final issues to be resolved in the QAPP primarily regard well construction methods; no wells are planned during the reconnaissance phase.

IV. OTHER RI ACTIVITIES

- o The Navy will wait until they receive DHS comments on the final QAPP and final Group II sampling plan before implementing the investigation of the Group II sites. The Navy will discuss the QAPP and Group II sampling plans with DHS before starting any monitoring wells.

V. FENCE-TO-FENCE CLEANUP

- o The Navy inquired whether the DHS had referred the results of the fence-to-fence cleanup, namely indications of tenant hazardous waste violations, to the Surveillance and Enforcement (S&E) branch of DHS. Bill Owen indicated that he thinks this was referred to S&E. However his office has not received any indication of followup by S&E.
- o With regard to the fence-to-fence cleanup, Mr. Owen indicated that the DHS was not happy with the way the information release for the fence-to-fence cleanup was handled by the Navy. The information release was Telexed to DHS two days before the release. Subsequently, the release was sent out before DHS could provide comments. Generally the DHS has requested five days' advance notice so they can review of the information releases. As a result, DHS is currently drafting a letter to "distance" themselves from the information release process because they have consistently not been given enough time to review the releases. DHS indicated that the Navy can continue to send out the releases at their own risk, without DHS review.

The Navy asked if the DHS would be willing to hold up the letter; the Navy would like to keep DHS within the review process and proposed to commit to a five-day advance review time prior to information releases. Mr. Owen indicated that proceeding without DHS review was not their preferred option.

VI. BUILDING 503 PCB CLEANUP

- o The Navy summarized the status of the cleanup; the final portion of the excavation has been backfilled and the Navy plans to cover the excavation with asphalt.

VII. OTHER TOPICS

- o The Navy plans to establish a technical review committee, made up of representatives from the regulatory agencies, the Navy, the public, and local government. The technical review committee would meet periodically to review the data generated during the RI. The Navy plans to send letters out soon to request that members of the aforementioned groups be identified to sit on the technical review committee. The Navy indicated that they will establish these committees for all Navy projects.
- o HLA inquired who in DHS would be involved with interim removals, as several sites are being considered by the Navy for these actions. Bill Owen indicated that he would be the contact at DHS. Evidently DHS does not have any additional guidance documents regarding interim removals; they have been using EPA guidance. HLA inquired whether it

could obtain copies of reports on the Bay Area drum site, which is located near IR-1 (landfill) to determine how the DHS handled interim removals. Bill Owen indicated this would be fine. Mr. Owen will also obtain a copy of an investigation report for a site in the Central Valley on which the recommendation in the QAPP for short well screens was based.

VII. NEXT MEETING

- o Thursday, October 27, at 9:30 a.m., at Treasure Island.