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Arnold Schwarzenegger  
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January 12, 2005

Mr. Jerry Dunaway  
U.S. Department of Navy  
BRAC Program Management Office West  
1230 Columbia Street, Suite 1100  
San Diego, California 92101-8571

Dear Mr. Dunaway:

**Mare Island Oversight Report for MEC Soil Screening Operation at Former MINS  
Coral Sea Housing Area, no date**

The Department of Toxic Substances Control has reviewed the subject document. The attached additional comments are forwarded to you for your consideration.

Should you have any questions regarding this letter, please call me at (510) 540-3773.

Sincerely,

Chip Gribble  
Remedial Project Manager  
Base Closure Unit  
Office of Military Facilities

Attachment

cc: Mr. Gary Riley, RWQCB  
Ms. Carolyn d'Almeida, USEPA  
Mr. Jeff Morris, CH2MHill  
Ms. Sheila Roebuck, LMI

**DTSC Comments on the Mare Island Oversight Report for MEC Soil Screening Operation at Former MINS Coral Sea Housing Area, no date**

1. General comment: The title page should identify this report as a Navy report. The title page should also identify the contractor author of the report, and include a date of issue. Also, the pages of the report should be numbered for reference. Please include a list of used acronyms with definitions, and a table of contents.
2. General comment: Please identify the SUXO in charge of the work, a summary of their qualifications, and their certification regarding completion of the work.
3. Page 1, para. 1: Please identify who conducted soil screening, and for what purpose.
4. Page 1, para. 1: The details of the execution of obtaining the Travis AFB EOD response team should be presented, along with the detailed MEC response plan in effect at the time of the occurrence, and an analysis of how well this plan worked along with recommendations, if any, for improvements or revisions to this response plan.
5. We understand that more MEC was found by a LMI contractor after the soil piles had been screened by a Navy EOD contractor. This should be discussed in this report, explaining how this happened and addressing the potential for more MEC to remain in these soil piles following the screening that has been done to date.
6. Table 1: Please provide dates of the MEC items found. The report should provide this information and discussion regarding the timeframe from which these items were placed or disposed.
7. Table 1: The total of MEC items found is given as 26, whereas we had been told previously by the Navy through e-mails that the total was 29. Please reconcile and explain.
8. Table at end of report (no title): This table states that all items were turned over to Navy POCs. This report should clearly state in the text what was done with these MEC items and how the Navy disposed of them.