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Mr. Stephen Chao
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Re: EPA Ban of Eureka Laboratory

Dear Mr. Chao,

In November 1993, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) banned Eureka Laboratories from EPA work because of alleged falsification of GC/MS data. How this affects sites who have used Eureka Labs in the past is not known at the present time. But it is important to get a full accounting of Eureka Lab use at each site. EPA requests that the Navy provide, in writing, all Eureka Lab use at Moffett Field. Details regarding when, where, which operable units, media, organics/inorganics analysis and any other data should be provided to EPA. As we move towards RODs, EPA will need assurance that data on which these decisions are made is sound. The Navy needs to provide justification that the Eureka data being used for on-going site work (risk management decisions, etc.) is valid. The Navy should also let EPA know what it is doing to assess impacts to cleanup schedules, etc. because of this issue. Call me at 415-744-2383 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael D. Gill".

Michael D. Gill
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