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Ms. Helene Drago
EPA Region III
841 Chestnut Building
Philadelphia, PA 19107

Dear Ms. Drago:

This is Indian Head Division's final report on Notice of Violation No. III-FF-CWA-005. The lead contamination problem at industrial wastewater outfall (IW) 87 has been corrected. The contractor completed transporting 160 tons of lead contaminated soil to the Model City, New York, hazardous waste landfill. The final project cost was \$758,690.

The total suspended solids and nitrate esters problems at IWs 46 and 53 have also been corrected. During October, a new concrete pad was poured to eliminate the safety hazard caused by a gap between the annealing ovens and the pad. Final project cost was \$337,000.

All future propellant annealing will be completed in Building 871, which drains to the new wastewater collection system. As reported in our previous letters, the Navy has no plans to utilize Building 579, which drains to IW46. If an unforeseen need arises, a wastewater collection system will be installed at that site prior to operation. In an October 31, 1996, letter to the Maryland Department of the Environment, we requested both IWs 46 and 53 be eliminated from our NPDES permit since they no longer discharge wastewater.

I request your office provide written concurrence in closing out this Notice of Violation.

I would like to take this opportunity to let you know that we are actively working on our plan for future permit compliance. Progress is continually being made. Over the last four months, there have been no violations of our industrial wastewater permit.

Indian Head Division is committed to environmental compliance. We look forward to continue working with the EPA

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in reducing point source pollution and improving the quality of our local tributaries and the Chesapeake Bay.

If you have any questions, please contact me on (301) 743-4320.

Sincerely,



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By direction of the Commander

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