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RE: Draft Final Site Management Plan for Installation Restoration Program, Indian Head Division, Naval Surface Warfare Center, October 1997

Dear Mr. Jorgensen:

Enclosed please find the Maryland Department of the Environment, Waste Management Administration's comments on the above-referenced document.

Sincerely,

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**SPECIFIC COMMENTS**

1. Page 1-1, Section 1.1, 3<sup>rd</sup> sentence. The Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) suggests that the Navy add the Stump Neck Annex sites to this document. EPA Region III (letter from D. Orenshaw to S. Jorgensen, dated May 22, 1997) considers the Stump Neck Annex to be a part of the National Priorities List listing for Indian Head.
2. Page 1-4, Figure 1-2. The Proposed Plan portion of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act process is missing from this figure. Please revise.
3. Page 2-14, Section 7c. Please clarify the five-year monitoring that took place at Site 12. If this section is referencing the biomonitoring for Site 8, then it should be noted that this biomonitoring was for mercury and lead only. Therefore, not all of the possible landfill wastes have been addressed by the monitoring program and the conclusion given here cannot be substantiated.
4. Page 2-44, Site 47. During an August 14, 1997 site visit, Indian Head personnel explained that the removal of lead-lined concrete troughs from Building 856 had uncovered droplets of mercury in the concrete troughs. At the site visit, MDE was lead to believe that the scope of work for Site 47 would be expanded to include investigating the possible lead and mercury contamination from these troughs. Therefore, the site description should discuss this possible contamination.
5. Appendix A, Figure A-29. The plotted location of Site 29 does not appear to match the description of this site that is given on page 2-31. Please clarify if the location of this site is correct.