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Mr. Shawn Jorgensen
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Department of the Navy
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Environmental Management Office
Indian Head MD 20640-5035

Re: Methods for Preparing the Human Health Risk Assessment for Indian Head Division, NSWC, Indian Head, Maryland, Site 47, November 1999

Dear Mr. Jorgensen:

Enclosed are comments from the Maryland Department of the Environment, Waste Management Administration on the above-referenced document.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (410) 631-3791.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C. DeTore', written over a horizontal line.

Curtis DeTore
Remedial Project Manager
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cc: Mr. Dennis Orenshaw
Mr. Robert Sadorra
Mr. Richard Collins
Mr. Karl Kalbacher

**Maryland Department of the Environment
Waste Management Administration
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Comments on:

Methods for Preparing the Human Health Risk Assessment for Indian
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Specific Comments

1. Distribution List
 Please change the acronym following the name Curtis DeTore from MDEP to MDE.

2. Section 1, page 1, second paragraph, fourth sentence
 This sentence should relate the name of the contractor that conducted the Remedial Investigation at Site 47 in 1999.

3. Section 4, page 3, second paragraph, second sentence
 This sentence inaccurately states that groundwater is not currently used as a potable water supply at the base. This statement should be revised to read that groundwater from the surficial aquifer is not currently used as a potable water supply at the base.

4. Section 4, page 3, second paragraph, last sentence
 It is the Maryland Department of the Environment's opinion that the human health risk assessment should include inhalation during showering/bathing for child residents.