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Re: Draft Final Record of Decision for Site 44 – Soak Out Area, Indian Head Division Naval Surface Warfare Center, Indian Head, Maryland, May 2001

Dear Mr. Jorgensen:

The Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE), Waste Management Administration has completed its review of the above referenced document. This Record of Decision documents the Navy's decision for a no action alternative at Site 44, the Soak Out Area, which is located within restricted area of Indian Head Division Naval Surface Warfare Center. The no action remedy selection is based upon a remedial investigation of Site 44, which indicates that no remedial action is necessary to ensure protection of human health and the environment. The remedy selected by the Navy is in compliance with the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act.

No comments were received during the public comment period. Based upon the acceptable level of protection to human health and the environment provided by the remedy, the MDE concurs with the selected remedy. If you have any questions, please contact me at (410) 631-3791.

Sincerely,

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