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Mr. Walter Legg  
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Washington Navy Yard, Building 212  
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Washington D.C. 20374-5018

Re: Draft Project Work Plan for Solid Waste Management Unit 47 (SWMU 47), Soil Removal, Former Naval Surface Warfare Center (NSWC) White Oak, Silver Spring, Maryland, dated September 2003.

Dear Mr. Legg:

Enclosed are comments from the Federal Facilities Section of the Maryland Department of the Environment's Waste Management Administration on the above-referenced document.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (410) 537-3440.

Sincerely,

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Comments on:

Draft Project Work Plan for Solid Waste Management Unit 47 (SWMU 47), Soil Removal, Former Naval Surface Warfare Center (NSWC) White Oak, Silver Spring, Maryland, dated September 2003.

1. Section 1.0, Site History, page 1-1.

A brief summary of the range of polychlorinated biphenyl (PCB) contamination detected at the site through prior investigations should be provided.

2. Section 2.3, Site Preparation, page 2-1.

As the removal action for contaminated soil at SWMU 47 will exceed 5000 square feet and require the disturbance of over 100 cubic yards of earth, the Navy will be required to meet the substantive requirements of an approved Erosion and Sediment Control Plan, as specified in Code of Maryland Regulations 26.17.01.05.

3. Figure 10-2, Summary of Exceedences – Surface Soil.

Detected concentrations of PCBs within the area delineated for excavation should be included on this figure.