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Mr. Walter Legg
Engineering Field Activity Chesapeake
Washington Navy Yard, Building 212
1314 Harwood Street SE
Washington DC 20374-5018

Re: Technical Memorandum for No Further Action, Site 12 Industrial Wastewater Disposal 200 Area (SWMU 21 and SWMU 22), Former Naval Surface Warfare Center (NSWC) White Oak, Silver Spring, Maryland, dated February 2003

Dear Mr. Legg:

The Federal Facilities Section (FFS) of the Maryland Department of the Environment's Waste Management Administration has reviewed the above-referenced document. This technical memorandum describes the results of the site screening investigations conducted at Site 12, Industrial Wastewater Disposal 200 Area, of the former Naval Surface Warfare Center White Oak.

The site consists of two leaching wells reportedly used to dispose of acidic wastewater. The leaching wells were designed to discharge directly into the subsurface soil and were used from 1945 until the late 1970s. They were subsequently deactivated between 1982 and 1984. Based upon approved U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region III risk-based human health and ecological screening, the Navy has stated that significant risks are not anticipated from exposure to soil and groundwater at Site 12.

Given the lack of significant contamination in the subsurface soil and groundwater at the site, the Navy recommends this site for no further action. Based upon the information presented, the FFS supports the Navy's recommendation for no further action at Site 12.

"Together We Can Clean Up"

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. A. Callaghan", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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