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Mr. Byron Brant  
Department of the Navy - Atlantic Division  
Naval Facilities Engineering Command  
Code 1822  
Norfolk, Virginia 23511-6287

RE: Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune NPL Site  
Jacksonville, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Brant:

EPA has reviewed the Draft Final Record of Decision for the Hadnot Point Industrial Area shallow aquifer at the subject site. In light of the additional information provided in our conference call on September 2, 1992, EPA considers Alternative 4 (Air stripping) to best satisfy the nine evaluation criteria.

I have reviewed the 1989 Interim Final Guidance on Preparing Superfund Decision Documents and would like to reiterate for the Administrative Record the procedure for handling a pre-ROD change.

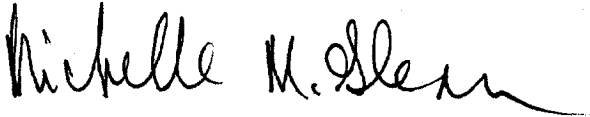
Item (2) of Section 5.4.1 of the above-referenced guidance document (Significant Changes that may be Considered Logical Outgrowths of the Information Available to the Public) explicitly covers the current situation. The following paragraph is taken from the guidance (page 5-6):

(2) Selection of a Remedy Other than the one selected in the RI/FS and Proposed Plan. The lead agency may determine, based on information received during the comment period, that the preferred alternative in the Proposed Plan no longer provides the most appropriate balance of tradeoffs among the alternatives with respect to the evaluation criteria. Information available to the lead agency may suggest that another alternative from the Proposed Plan and RI/FS report provides the best balance of tradeoffs, and the lead agency may select the other alternative. Such a change requires only documentation in the ROD because the public has been apprised previously that that alternative (or any other alternative in the detailed analysis) might be selected as the remedy; thus, the public had adequate opportunity to review and comment on it.

Based on the guidance EPA is comfortable with proceeding on our current schedule for the Record of Decision. No additional public comment period will be required.

If you have any questions or comments, please call me at (404) 347-3016.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michelle M. Glenn". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Michelle M. Glenn  
Senior Project Manager

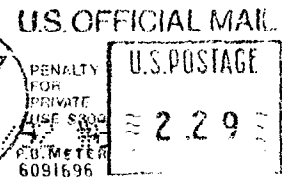
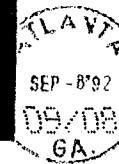
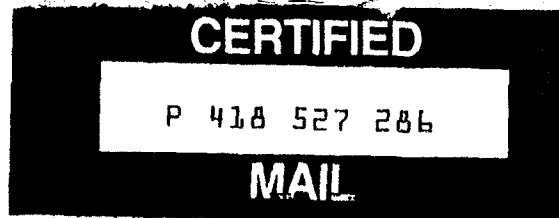
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