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Attention: MCB Camp Lejeune, RPM

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Commanding General

Attention: AC/S, EMD/IRD

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RE: NC Superfund Comments on the

Work Plan for Aggressive Fluid Recovery Pilot Test

Former AST Area, Site 86

MCB Camp Lejeune, North Carolina

Dear Ms. Landman:

The referenced document has been received and reviewed by the North Carolina Superfund Section and our comments are below:

- 1. Page 1-1, Section 1.0, First Paragraph. Trichloroethene is the major contaminant at Site 86.
- 2. Page 1-1, Section 1.0, Third Paragraph. References to "free product" are also found in Sections 2 and 3.
- 3. Comment by David Lilley on the Health and Safety plan:

Page 2: The upgrade from level C to level B protection (according to page 7-1 of the safety plan) occurs at PID readings of greater than 500. According to the NIOSH Pocket Guide, the IDLH for tetrachloroethene is 150 ppm. IT IS STRONGLY RECOMMENDED THAT LEVEL C NOT BE USED IN AREAS WHERE THE CONCENTRATION OF VAPORS EXCEED THE IDLH. For groundwater concentrations this low, I would think the likelihood of such high concentrations

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would be remote. If higher concentrations are encountered, I would also hope the crew would look into what is causing the problem long before concentrations reach 500 meter units.

Please call me at (919) 733-2801, extension 278 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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