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July 17, 2002

Mr. Dennis Gagne  
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Dear Mr. Gagne/Mr. Gray:

SUBJECT: TANK FARMS, NAVAL STATION, NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND

At Naval Station Newport, the Navy proposes to address Tank Farms 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 under the "Rhode Island Regulations for Underground Storage Facilities Used for Petroleum Products and Hazardous Materials". The reported practice of burying tank bottom sludge in trenches meets the definition of a "Release" under these regulations.

In 1980, the Navy developed the Navy Assessment and Control of Installation Pollutants (NACIP) program to identify and control environmental contaminants from past use and disposal of Hazardous Substances at Naval Installations. The NACIP program later became the Installation Restoration Program (IRP). The Initial Assessment Study (IAS) was Phase I of the NACIP program and was completed in 1983 for NAVSTA Newport. The IAS identified petroleum as the only contaminant of concern at Tank Farms 1 through 5. Petroleum products are exempt from the definition of hazardous substances, pollutants, and contaminants under CERCLA 101. However, since a regulatory program for addressing petroleum releases had not yet been developed, the Navy elected to address the tank farms under the NACIP/IRP Programs.

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Since the subject tank farms were included in the IRP, they were erroneously included in the Naval Station Newport Federal Facilities Agreement dated 1992. Tank farm contamination at all other Naval Facilities in Region I is being addressed under State Underground Storage Tank Programs. The tank farms at NAS Brunswick, NAS South Weymouth, and NSY Portsmouth are examples within Region I where tanks are appropriately being addressed under State UST regulations. Consequently, the Navy proposes to address the Newport tanks in a similar manner. As such we have included a copy of the scope of work and schedule which addresses the suspected sludge disposal areas at the tank farms. Investigations are scheduled to begin late this summer.

We would like to meet with the appropriate personnel from USEPA Region I and RIDEM to discuss this initiative, and we will be contacting you soon in that regard.

Sincerely,



AL HARING, P.E.  
Director, Environmental  
Restoration Division

**CONTRACT TASK ORDER NO. 0084  
STATEMENT OF WORK  
UNDER  
REMEDIAL ACTION CONTRACT  
N62472-99-D-0032**

**PART I - GENERAL INFORMATION**

**1.1 GENERAL STATEMENT OF SERVICES**

The contractor shall provide services in accordance with the requirements, schedules, guidance and information contained or referenced herein for the project listed below. All the contract requirements shall be performed in accordance with the procedures outlined in the Remedial Action Contract (RAC) N62472-99-D-0032.

CTO No:               **0084**  
Project Title:       **Tank Farm Remediation**  
Project Location:   **Naval Station, Newport RI**

**1.2 PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

It is the intention of the Navy to achieve closure of several tank farms at Naval Station Newport RI in accordance with the RIDEM UST program. Tank Farm Four was used for the storage of diesel and fuel oil and consists of twelve 60,000 barrel USTs which have been cleaned and for which a Corrective Action Plan is under development via another contract. It has been reported that disposal occurred at the site from World War II until the mid-1970's. Tank bottom sludge, obtained during cleaning operations, was disposed of directly onto the ground in the vicinity of the tank being cleaned.

FWENC shall supply all equipment, labor and materials necessary to provide field investigation to locate suspected sludge disposal areas at Tank Farm 4 at NAVSTA Newport RI. Field investigation shall include test pitting and/or Geoprobe effort as appropriate, as well as sampling and analysis. Primary analysis shall be by field screening with Petroflag kits or similar with an appropriate level of laboratory verification samples.

FWENC shall provide pre-field work documentation including but not limited to a site investigation work plan and health and safety plan in pre-draft, draft and final forms for review by Navy and regulatory agencies. The site investigation work plan shall also include details on an initial abatement action (removal and disposal) to be undertaken during the site investigation mobilization if the investigation uncovers one or more sludge disposal areas. FWENC shall be responsible for obtaining all permits. FWENC shall also provide an investigation/initial abatement report and Corrective Action Plan in pre-draft, draft and final forms for review by Navy and regulatory agencies.

Similar efforts are being undertaken at Tank Farms 2 and 3 under the auspices of DESC. FWENC shall share technical information with the project manager handling the DESC projects so as to facilitate presentation of coordinated approaches and documentation thereof to DESC, Navy and regulators.

### 1.3 POINTS OF CONTACT

#### 1.3.1 GOVERNMENT POINTS OF CONTACT FOR THIS PROJECT ARE:

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## PART 2 - SCHEDULE

2.1 The following revised schedule is proposed:

<b>2002</b>	
07 Jun	SOW to FWENC
19 Jun	Revised SOW to FWENC
28 Jun	Proposal due
19 Jul	Award contract

19 Aug Submit Pre-draft Site Investigation Work Plan & HASP to Navy  
12 Sep Submit Draft Site Investigation Work Plan & HASP to RIDEM  
15 Oct Receive RIDEM comments  
30 Oct Meeting with RIDEM  
22 Nov Submit Final Site Investigation Work Plan w/RTCs & HASP to RIDEM  
23 Dec Concurrence from RIDEM

**2003**

27 Feb FWENC mobilizes  
30 Apr Site Investigation/Initial Abatement Action complete  
30 May Submit Pre-draft Site Investigation/Initial Abatement Report & CAP to Navy  
20 Jun Submit Draft Site Investigation/Initial Abatement Report & CAP to RIDEM  
18 Jul Receive RIDEM Comments  
07 Aug Submit Final Site Investigation/Initial Abatement Report & CAP w/RTCs to RIDEM  
09 Sep Receive RIDEM Concurrence

**PART 3 - DISTRIBUTION OF DOCUMENTS**

**3.1 Submission Distribution**

Pre-draft and pre-final submissions shall be made electronically to the reviewers below. Additionally, hard copy of any drawing greater than 11 x 17 shall be submitted.

Christi Davis	<a href="mailto:daviscm@efane.navy.mil">daviscm@efane.navy.mil</a> and 3 hard copies
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Draft and final submissions shall be made electronically of all files (and hard copy of drawings greater than 11 x 17) to the reviewers above and to the reviewers listed below. Finally, complete hard copies of draft and final submissions shall be made to Melissa Griffin and Paul Kulpa.

Paul Kulpa – RIDEM – 2 Hard Copies

GPS files – FWENC shall submit GPS documentation of all sampling locations of material to remain in place and results in the format compatible with NAVSTA GIS on CD-ROM to Melissa Griffin of NAVSTA and to Christi Davis of EFANE – 2 copies to each.