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Re: Conditional Approval of RHBFSF Repair/Enhancement Quality Validation Reports -  
February and March Packets

Dear CAPT Sullivan,

The Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9 (EPA) has completed its review of two Quality Validation (QV) Report Packets submitted by the Joint Task Force – Red Hill (JTF-RH). EPA reviewed these QV Reports pursuant to the 2023 Consent Order between EPA, the Department of Navy, and the Defense Logistics Agency. EPA conditionally approves the QV reports included in the QV packets described below. This includes the “February Reports,” submitted on March 23, 2023, covering six repairs numbered 3, 4, 7, 12, 78, and 79; and the “March Reports,” submitted on April 14, 2023, covering fifty repairs numbered 36, 38, 52, 80-82, 83, 89, 97, 104, 122, 125, 145-168, 170-181, 185, and 186.

EPA’s approval is predicated on the condition that EPA may, at a later date, require additional information as needed to clarify or supplement the Fitness-for-Service (FFS) assessment process. Since this FFS assessment process is currently under review by EPA, repair items involving an FFS assessment may be impacted by future requests for information. For example, repairs #97, #172-181, #181, and #185-186 from the March QV packet involved an FFS assessment.

For awareness, EPA is sharing a recommendation related to repairs #146-168 located at Hotel Pier. The leak containment system design at Hotel Pier may need further evaluation and repair for long term use, as the current condition of these repairs may be best suited for short-term operations. This recommendation applies to long-term use of this infrastructure and does not apply to near-term Defueling activities.

If you have any questions, please contact our staff lead on this matter, Evan Osborne ([osborne.evan@epa.gov](mailto:osborne.evan@epa.gov), 206-553-1747).

Sincerely,

/s/ July 10, 2023

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