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(Sent via Electronic Mail)

Subject: Response to Navy's *Response to Comments on Draft Shallow Soil Vapor Extraction and Air Sparging Work Plan*, Dated February 8, 2024

Dear Rear Admiral Barnett:

Thank you for submitting *Response to Comments on Draft Shallow Soil Vapor Extraction and Air Sparging Work Plan* (RTCs), dated February 8, 2024. The Hawai'i Department of Health (DOH) and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), collectively the Regulatory Agencies (RAs), have reviewed the RTCs. The U.S. Department of the Navy adequately addressed our most significant comments, including the RAs' request to include all potential fuel additives in the analysis of the groundwater and soil vapor samples collected during the pilot study. Please proceed with implementation of the shallow soil vapor pilot study.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Matthew Cohen, EPA Red Hill Project Coordinator, at Cohen.Matthew@epa.gov or (415) 972-3691; or Kelly Ann Lee, DOH Red Hill Project Coordinator, at KellyAnn.Lee@doh.hawaii.gov or (808) 586-4226.

Sincerely,

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