

## **REGION 9** SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105

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Rear Admiral M.F. Williams Deputy Commander Navy Closure Task Force – Red Hill 850 Ticonderoga St., Ste. 110 Joint Base Pearl Harbor Hickam, HI 96860-5101 <u>marc.f.williams.mil@us.navy.mil</u> (Sent via Electronic Mail)

**Subject:** Draft Groundwater Model Report, Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility, Joint Base Pearl Harbor Hickam, Hawaii, dated July 2024

Dear Rear Admiral Williams:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) received the *Draft Groundwater Model Report, Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility, Joint Base Pearl Harbor Hickam, Hawaii, July 22, 2024.* The submittal was provided in accordance with the 2015 Administrative Order on Consent (2015 AOC).

As noted in the January 17, 2024 EPA letter, ongoing site assessment and release response actions should be performed as part of Phase 2 Closure. EPA requested a Phase 2 Closure Plan pursuant to the 2023 Administrative Consent Order (2023 ACO) and noted that additional supplements may be needed for additional aspects of the work. EPA and Hawai'i Department of Health (DOH) requested in our May 8, 2024 letter that future investigation and remediation work be done pursuant to the 2023 ACO and DOH's Emergency Order in lieu of the 2015 AOC.

EPA requests that the groundwater model be submitted pursuant to the 2023 ACO as Supplement 4 to the Phase 2 Closure Review Plan, Groundwater Flow Model, for review and approval pursuant to Section 7 of the 2023 ACO.

EPA acknowledges that additional supplements will be needed for additional aspects of the work.

Should you have any questions regarding this letter or seek clarification, please contact me at (415) 972-3706, <u>Russi.Tonya@epa.gov</u>.

## Sincerely,

/s/

Tonya Russi Red Hill Project Coordinator

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