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Subject: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Approval of Draft Final *Tank Closure Plan, Supplement 3: Phase 1 Closure Site Assessment Work Plan, Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility, Joint Base Pearl Harbor Hickam, Hawaii, July 2025*

Dear Rear Admiral Williams:

Thank you for submitting the Draft Final *Tank Closure Plan, Supplement 3: Phase 1 Closure Site Assessment Work Plan, Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility, Joint Base Pearl Harbor Hickam, Hawaii, July 2025*. The report describes the proposed sampling and analysis program for phase 1 closure site assessment. The objective of the phase 1 closure site assessment is to measure for "the presence of a release where contamination is most likely to be present at an underground storage tank (UST) site."

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) completed a review of the Draft Final *Phase 1 Closure Site Assessment Work Plan* and has no additional comments. EPA requests that Navy notify regulatory agencies if changes in scope occur that may impact data quality, or the ability to meet data quality objectives. Modifications to the scope must be agreed upon in writing by EPA and the Navy.

If the results of the phase 1 closure site assessment indicate that additional site characterization and or remediation are required, a separate work plan will be submitted for release response action. Potential areas of release should remain accessible until site characterization and or remediation is complete. EPA requests notification if construction is planned in areas of potential release.

EPA requests the Navy submit a Draft Phase 1 Closure Site Assessment Report by **June 29, 2026**, and provide routine updates.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me at russi.tonya@epa.gov or (415) 972-3706.

Sincerely,

/s/

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