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Re: Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility - Work Plan/ Sampling and Analysis Plan: Monitoring Well Installation, DOH Facility ID: 9-102271, DOH Release ID: 140010

Dear Mr. Poentis:

The Hawaii Department of Health (DOH) and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) have reviewed the U.S. Navy's (Navy) August 5, 2014 response to the comments we provided on the Work Plan/Sampling & Analysis Plan for the two sentinel wells to be installed North of the Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility (see letter to Aaron Poentis from Tom Huetteman and Stuart Yamada dated July 31, 2014, transmitted via email August 1, 2014). EPA/DOH agree with the Navy's proposed revisions to the work plan. Please provide us with a date when we can expect to receive the revised work plan which incorporates the agreed upon revisions.

The Navy's response to our comments was transmitted via an email to EPA/DOH staff. The email included an attachment that listed our comments and the Navy's response. In the future we would prefer that official communication between our organizations include a signed cover letter. Electronic copies of any future letters can still be sent via email, with the original hard copy of the signed letter and any courtesy copies sent via the US Postal Service.

The Workplan outlines the purpose and location for two additional groundwater monitoring wells as well as the analytical methods to be used in analyzing samples taken from the monitoring wells. These monitoring wells are necessary to evaluate potential off-site migration of petroleum-related contamination in groundwater and to provide additional monitoring points to determine the distribution of hydraulic head for input into an existing groundwater model of the area.

These two sentinel wells are in response to release response requirements documented in the February 12 and 26, 2014 letters from DOH to the Navy. Our comments on the draft Workplan

are provided in order ensure that installation of the wells appropriately addresses the requirements outlined in Hawaii Administrative Rules §11-281. If you have any questions regarding this letter or the AOC, please contact Mr. Steven Chang, Program Manager, Solid & Hazardous Waste Branch at (808) 586-4226 (steven.chang@doh.hawaii.gov), or Steven Linder at (415) 972-3369 (linder.steve@epa.gov).

Sincerely,

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