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Parcel B Artist Studios (Buildings 104, 115, 116, 117, 125) and the City/County of San Francisco Police Department (Building 606) of the Hunters Point Naval Shipyard

This information addresses concerns about potential current exposure to radiation at the above locations on the Hunters Point Naval Shipyard site. Below is what EPA knows about the history and cleanup at these locations that led to our approval for the lease of these areas:

- To date, no specific allegations have been made regarding the integrity of the cleanup work conducted specifically in areas of the artist studios or Building 606 that give us any reason to question EPA's prior decision to approve the lease of these buildings.

- The current artist studios on Parcel B had formerly been used for barracks, schools, a cafeteria, and other non-industrial uses. Therefore, EPA has never had concerns about radiological impacts in these buildings. The Navy has removed sanitary sewer and storm drain lines near these buildings.

- Before Building 606 was constructed, Building 503 had been located in its place and had the potential for radiological impact. The Navy has removed sanitary sewer and storm drain lines and soil under and near Building 606. The Navy scanned soil from beneath Building 606 and found no elevated radiation levels.

- In 2002, EPA conducted a radiological scanner van survey of navigable roads on parts of the Shipyard including near the Artist Studios and Building 606. All of the anomalies detected during the scan were attributable to natural occurring sources at levels consistent with what would normally be found in the environment.

- EPA and other regulatory agencies found Buildings 104, 115, 116, 117, 125, and 606 suitable for lease in 2008. If it would be helpful, we can provide copies of the Finding of Suitability to Lease.

The Navy is the lead agency responsible for the investigation and cleanup of the Shipyard and holds the Administrative Record for the site. EPA and its state regulatory agency partners oversee and enforce Navy compliance with Superfund requirements to ensure the cleanup at the Shipyard protects human health and the environment. For more information on the Shipyard investigation and cleanup, contact Derek Robinson, Navy Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Environmental Coordinator: 619-524-6026, derek.j.robinson1@navy.mil. If you would like to discuss EPA's oversight role, please contact Lily Lee, EPA project manager at 415-947-4187 or lee.lily@epa.gov or Jackie Lane, EPA Community Involvement Coordinator at 415-972-3236 or lane.jackie@epa.gov.

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