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The Honorable Andrew Wheeler
Acting Administrator of the EPA
Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20460

Dear Acting Administrator Wheeler:

Thank you for your agency's commitment to protecting and serving the American people. I write to share my serious concerns with federal contractor Tetra Tech EC, and strongly encourage your agency to ensure due diligence of your current contract with parent company Tetra Tech Inc. or its subsidiary in order to ensure proper monitoring to detect any possible fraud and protect the taxpayer.

On January 14th, the United States Department of Justice filed its complaint in *United States of America v. Tetra Tech EC* alleging Tetra Tech EC submitted false claims under contracts with the United States Navy to provide radiological remediation services at the former Hunters Point Naval Shipyard in San Francisco.

Tetra Tech EC failed its cleanup of Hunters Point: falsifying radiological soil samples and manipulating data, all done at the direction of corporate managers in an effort to decrease costs and increase corporate profits.

The Navy then unknowingly relied on Tetra Tech's fraudulent samples to conclude that the remediation of radiologically-impacted areas of Hunter's Point was complete and safe for my constituents.

This enormous breach of trust and flagrant fraudulence is causing disruption, uncertainty, and delays in remediation of the shipyard; likely costing taxpayers years of additional work and hundreds of millions in cost, while instilling fear and anxiety on residents of the surrounding Bayview-Hunters Point neighborhood.

While Tetra Tech EC's work has been rated 'unsatisfactory' by the Navy in the Federal Procurement Data System, this may not be reflected in contract proposals by the parent company Tetra Tech, Inc. or its many subsidiaries. Given the damaging experience of fraudulent activity by Tetra Tech EC in my congressional district, your agency should take all necessary steps to ensure proper oversight and fraud prevention procedures in your agency's contract with Tetra Tech, Inc. or its subsidiary.

Thank you for your attention to this critical matter; I look forward to hearing the steps you are taking to protect the taxpayer and the public trust.

best regards,

Nancy Pelosi

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