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Subject: Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (FSEIS) for the Disposal and Reuse of Hunters Point Shipyard, San Francisco County, California (CEQ # 20120114)

Dear Mr. Bochenek:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has reviewed the above-referenced document pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) regulations (40 CFR Parts 1500-1508), and our NEPA review authority under Section 309 of the Clean Air Act.

EPA reviewed the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (DSEIS) and provided comments to the Department of the Navy on May 6, 2011. We rated the DSEIS as Environmental Concerns - Insufficient Information (EC-2) because of a lack of information regarding (1) how the subsequent development would interface with the cleanup remedy under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) program, and (2) information regarding effectiveness and implementation of air quality mitigation measures. We also recommended additional information be provided regarding impacts to environmental justice communities and the scope of Community Benefits Plan.

We appreciate the additional information in the FSEIS and response to comments in Appendix C. Substantial information was added to Section 3.7 – Hazards and Hazardous Substances that provides the reader with a clearer understanding of the cleanup status of the parcels and the legal and administrative mechanisms used to implement land use restrictions that limit the exposure of future landowners/users to hazardous substances (institutional controls). In addition, the FSEIS was revised to include: (1) specific air quality mitigation measures that would be included in the Dust Control Plan (DCP); and (2) estimates of the fugitive dust control efficiency expected from compliance with the DCP.

We also appreciate the additional information in the environmental justice analysis. Information was added identifying the short-term health effects from diesel exhaust on children, as well as the specific mitigation measures included in the project's Community Benefits Plan that would help Bayview Hunters Point residents increase access to health services through expansion of the Southeast Health Center.

EPA appreciates the opportunity to review this FSEIS and thanks the Navy for being responsive to our comments. If you have any questions, please contact me at 415-972-3521, or contact Karen Vitulano, the lead reviewer for this project, at 415-947-4178 or vitulano.karen@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

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