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Dear Mr. Chang

Re: Removal of Operable Unit 2 (OU 2) from the FFA at George Air Force Base

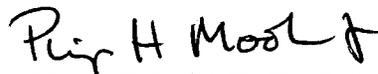
The purpose of this letter is to provide the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) with the Air Force's position regarding the removal of OU 2 from the Federal Facility Agreement (FFA) at George Air Force Base. The investigation of OU 2 has confirmed the presence of contaminated soil and groundwater resulting from releases of jet fuel. During February 1992, IT Corporation installed a permanent product recovery system at OU 2. The contaminants associated with the site consist of jet fuel constituents and associated breakdown products. For the past several years, the BRAC Cleanup Team (BCT) has been working on producing an acceptable feasibility study, and, in turn, decision document.

The Air Force is proposing to defer the oversight of OU 2 projects and decision document to the Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) because petroleum products are exempt from regulation under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), as amended by the Superfund Amendment and Reauthorization Act (SARA). Therefore, we will be sending future OU 2 correspondence to EPA as courtesy copies only.

I understand that there are a few George AFB sites that were not part of an operable unit, and that may need a CERCLA decision document. I will work with the BCT to develop an appropriate decision document strategy and timeline for these sites.

Thank you for your support of the George AFB environmental and reuse programs. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me by phone at 916.643.0830 x 209, or by e-mail at philip.mook@afropa.pentagon.af.mil.

Sincerely



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