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January 10, 2000

CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Ovidio E. Perez, Colonel, U.S. Army Director, Public Works ATTN: AFZP-DEV (Melanie Little) Department of the Army Headquarters, 3D Infantry Division (Mechanized) and Fort Stewart 1557 Frank Cochran Drive Fort Stewart, GA 31314-4928

RE: Revised Final RCRA Facility Investigation (RFI) Report for the Old Property Disposal (PDO) Yard dated September 1999; Hunter Army Airfield; EPA ID No. GA4 210 022 733.

Dear Colonel Perez:

The Hazardous Waste Management Branch of the Georgia Environmental Protection Division (GA EPD) is in receipt of Hunter Army Airfield correspondence (Perez to Khaleghi) dated January 3, 2000 which contained Replacement Page D-23 to be inserted into our four (4) copies of the above-referenced report. Based upon our review of the replacement page, GA EPD has determined the following.

- 1. Hunter Army Airfield has sufficiently responded to our comment on the above-referenced report which was forwarded in correspondence (Khaleghi to Perez) dated December 16, 1999.
- 2. The Revised Final RFI Report for the PDO Yard dated September 1999, as amended by Replacement Page D-23, is complete.
- 3. Hunter Army Airfield has sufficiently satisfied Condition Nos. 4-6 in Consent Order No. EPD-HW-1068 which was executed between our agencies on March 11, 1994 with respect to conducting and reporting an investigation of contaminated soils and groundwater at the PDO Yard.
- 4. In Section 8.4 of the Revised Final RFI Report for the PDO Yard dated September 1999, Hunter Army Airfield has properly (1) identified benzene and tetrachloroethene (PCE)

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groundwater contamination as the only hazardous constituents and environmental medium which require corrective action and (2) proposed promulgated Georgia Safe Drinking Water Act Maximum Contaminant Levels (i.e., $5.0 \mu g/L$) as the Remedial Levels for these two (2) hazardous constituents.

5. Corrective action is required at the PDO Yard pursuant to the Georgia Hazardous Waste Management Act, as amended, O.C.G.A. §12-8-60, <u>et seq.</u>, and the Rules for Hazardous Waste Management, Chapter 391-3-11, promulgated pursuant thereto, as amended, which incorporates by reference the Code of Federal Regulations found in 40 CFR Parts 124, 260-268, 270, and 279.

Consistent with Condition No. 7 in the Consent Order No. EPD-HW-1068, GA EPD requests that Hunter Army Airfield submit a Corrective Action Plan (which appropriately address benzene and PCE groundwater contamination discovered at the PDO Yard) to our agency within one hundred and twenty (120) days from receipt of this correspondence. Should you have any questions concerning this correspondence, please contact Madeleine Kellam or Brent Rabon of my staff at (404)656-2833.

Sincerely,

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Bruce Khaleghi, Unit Coordinator Hazardous Waste Management Branch

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