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REPLY TO ATTENTION OF

December 08, 1992

Directorate of Engineering and Housing

New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and Energy Division of Responsible Party Site Remediation Bureau of Underground Storage Tanks CN 029 Trenton, NJ 08625 - 0029 ATTN: Mr. Kevin F. Kratina, Acting Bureau Chief

Re: Request for the extension of UST Closure Approvals pertaining to the closure activities as approved by the NJDEPE at Buildings 108, 161, 1076, 2500, 2624, 8003, 8005, 8006, 9099 and 9332, Fort Monmouth, Monmouth County

UST	#0090010	Main Post East	
TMS	# C-91-2844	CLOSURE	(Bldg. 108)
TMS	# C-91-2838	CLOSURE	(Bldg. 161)
UST	#0090010	Main Post	
TMS	# C-91-2845	CLOSURE	(Bldg. 1076)
ust	#0081515	Charles Wood Wes	st Area
TMS	# C-92~2950	CLOSURE (	(Bldg. 2567)
TMS	# C-91-2842	CLOSURE (	(Bldg. 2500)
TMS	# C-91-2843	CLOSURE (	(Bldg. 2624)
ust	#00192477	Wayside Area	
TMS	# C-92-2953	CLOSURE (	(Bldg. 8003)
TMS	# C-91-2952	CLOSURE (	(Bldg. 8005)
TMS	# C-91-2951	CLOSURE (	(Bldg. 8006)
UST	#0090029	Evans Area	
TMS	# C-91-2840	CLOSURE (	(Bldg. 9099)
TMS	# C-91-2841	CLOSURE (	(Bldg. 9332)

Dear Mr. Kratina:

Scheduled closure activities for which Fort Monmouth has received approval from the NJDEPE have been temporarily delayed due to the unforseen changes which have occurred within your organization (e.g. the NJDEPE guidelines regarding the UST removal activities) as well as difficulties within the DOD funding and procurement system in coordinating and obtaining the services required by the NJDEPE in fulfilling our goal of full compliance. I anticipate the UST removal activities to commence at full speed in the early Spring of '93.

At this time, I would appreciate your departments concurrence in this request for an extension of one year for the existing Closure Permits thus far received by the NJDEPE. To date, funding has been provided and a contract has been awarded for the removal of over 350 USTs within the next three years at Fort Monmouth. Monies have been obligated to the sum of over 6 millon dollars for UST Closure and Gasification activities at Fort Monmouth. My Department will make every effort possible to remove all USTs IAW the NJDEPE Guidelines and perform the activities in as timely a manner as possible. We currently have three individuals within my department certified for Closure and SubSurface Evaluation. These Certified individuals will oversee all aspects of the UST Program activities.

The removal of USTs at Fort Monmouth has resulted in a number of complex challenges for my Environmental Staff. Our goal of full compliance with all applicable regulations is on-going. I will continue to place the environmental concerns, which we all support, as a high priority with regard to funding and program management at Fort Monmouth.

If the information provided in this enclosure is inadequate or you require further information with regard to any UST activities please contact Mr. Charles Appleby, Environmental Protection Specialist, at (908) 532-6224.

Sincerely,

Mr. James Ott

Acting Director

Directorate of Engineering and Housing