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SUBJECT: Formerly Used Defense Site (FUDS) D01MA001902, GSA Property,  
Watertown, Massachusetts

Mr. Craig Z. Gordon  
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Dear Mr. Gordon:

This letter is in response to your letter, dated September 10, 2002, in which you request that we provide a schedule of planned activities for the subject FUDS site through December 31, 2002, including an estimated completion date for required remediation, if necessary. The immediate project milestones noted below are based on the regulatory requirements of the Massachusetts Contingency Plan (MCP) and are consistent with the Multi-Agency Radiation Survey and Site Investigation Manual (MARSSIM) approach for completing the evaluation of radiological contamination at the site. The dates indicated represent the start of the 30-day regulatory agency review period.

- a. Submit the Draft Focused Uranium Tailings Data Evaluation Report –  
December 16, 2002
- b. Submit the Draft Stage II Ecological Risk Characterization Report –  
January 31, 2003
- c. Submit the Draft final Status Survey Report – February 28, 2003

The schedule is based on the following key assumptions 1) the data from the tailings investigation supports a conclusion that Uranium Tailings are not present at the site; and 2) the Final Status Survey Report will include the results of data evaluations for survey units where the release criteria have been satisfied and no

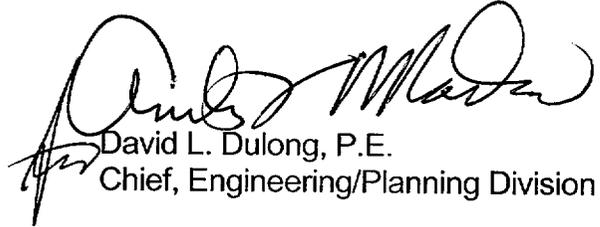
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further action is recommended. The report will also indicate if the release criteria were not met or if the results indicate the need for additional data, in which case the report will include recommendations for further actions (if release criteria not achieved) or include a sampling and analysis plan to address the identified data gaps.

At this time, it is difficult to estimate the completion date for any potential remediation of radiological contamination given the schedule for completion of key decision documents and the possibility that data gaps may warrant additional radiological surveys.

We look forward to further discussing these scheduled project milestones in order to facilitate their timely completion. If you have any questions, Robert Simeone of my staff may be contacted at 978-318-8713.

Sincerely,



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