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Mr. Shawn W. Seeley
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Dear Mr. Seeley:

Subj: REQUEST FOR ALTERNATE DECOMMISSIONING SCHEDULE, AND HISTORICAL RADIOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT ACTIVITIES FOR NAVAL RADIOACTIVE MATERIALS PERMIT (NRMP) 04-62271-F1NP

The Navy's radioactive materials program is licensed with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) under Master Materials License No. 45-23645-01NA. The Navy is requesting an alternate decommissioning schedule for Naval Radioactive Material Permit 04-62271-F1NP at Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, CA.

As of December 2009, the permittee had ceased principal activities of a type B broad scope permit under Naval Radioactive Materials Permit 04-62271-F1NP. Per 10 CFR 30.36(d) a decommissioning plan is required to be submitted within 12 months if no principal activities under the license have been conducted for a period of 24 months.

The reason for this request is to ensure that the planned decommissioning can be accomplished in a detailed and responsible manner. The decommissioning will encompass both Navy permitted activities from the 1980s to the present and Atomic Energy Commission/Nuclear Regulatory Commission licensed activities prior to the establishment of the Master Materials License. The Navy believes that development of a detailed historical radiological assessment and carefully executed decommissioning plan presents no undue risk from radiation to the public safety and is otherwise in the public interest.

The Naval Postgraduate School is a military facility with controlled access and active security apparatus limiting unescorted public access. The radiation safety staff has physical custody and control of areas known to have been used for licensed

operations. Due to the existence of buried, dried radioactive effluent tanks, this is likely to be a decommissioning group 4 project.

Enclosure (1) provides an updated record of completed and planned action for this site. The Navy will provide updates as information from the historical radiological assessment becomes available. The Navy will provide a formal decommissioning plan and final recommended decommissioning group once the historical radiological assessment has been evaluated.

If you have additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact me via telephone at (703) 695-5259 or through electronic mail at donna.davis-urgo@navy.mil.

Sincerely,

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Naval Radiation Safety Committee

Enclosure: 1. Status of the Alternate Decommissioning Plan

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Naval Sea Systems Command Detachment, Radiological

Affairs Support Office (NAVSEADET RASO)

## STATUS OF THE ALTERNATE DECOMMISSIONING PLAN

## 1. Completed Milestones

- a. On 17 September 2010 NRMP 04-62271-F1NP was converted to 04-62271-D1NP, a storage only permit.
- b. The command provided funding for the historical radiological assessment (HRA) in August 2012.
- c. On 21 September 2012, a two-year contract was awarded to Aleut World Solutions to perform the HRA. The contractor commenced work in December 2012.

## 2. Projected Milestones

- a. Radiological Affairs Support Office (RASO) review of contractor supplied HRA is planned for September 2014.
- b. The RASO review of the HRA is planned for completion and a recommended final decommissioning group will be forwarded in March 2015.
- c. The decommissioning plan is to be forwarded to Naval Radiation Safety Committee by September 2015.