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Base Realignment and Closure
Attn: Mr. Darren Newton
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COMMENTS ON SUMMARY REPORT, MSC JP5, ORIGINAL TRUCK FUELING AREA STATIONS 363A, 363B, 363C, AND 363D, FORMER MARINE CORPS AIR STATION, EL TORO, SWRCB GEOTRACKER ID: T0605964530

Dear Mr. Newton:

We have reviewed the above referenced document, dated August 31, 2005, which we received on September 8, 2005. We have the following comments:

MSC JP5 former truck fueling stations 363A, 363B, 363C, & 363D are located upon a concrete-paved area, west of Building 363 and southwest of former Tank Farm 5, in the northeastern section of the former Marine Corps Air Station. The stations were part of a truck fueling area that was constructed in 1952. Fuel-dispensing equipment was located upon a concrete equipment pad, approximately six inches thick, at each fueling island. Four-inch steel pipelines conveyed fuel from Building 363 to each fueling island. A groundwater monitoring well cluster is located northwest of the fueling area. The depth to groundwater is approximately 200 feet.

Visual inspections of the facility were conducted in 2003, 2004, and 2005. To provide access for inspection of the fuel lines in 2005, three exploratory trenches were completed on the site's periphery. During 2004 and 2005, seven soil borings were drilled, and soil samples were collected within the site at 10 and 20 feet below ground surface. Analytical results for petroleum hydrocarbons and volatile fuel additive compounds were not detected in any of the soil samples that were collected at this site. No fuel release was discovered at the former fueling stations.

We concur with your recommendation of no further action for this site. Our concurrence is with the provision that the information you provided is accurate and representative of site conditions.

For any questions, please call me at (951) 782-4494, or send email to jbroderick@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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