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SUBJECT: LETTER DATED SEPTEMBER 7, 2006, "NAVAL STATION GREAT LAKES
MONAZITE SAND STORAGE AREA AND AREAS OF INTEREST IN THE
PUBLIC-PRIVATE VENTURE (PPV) FORRESTAL VILLAGE AREA"

Dear LCDR Aldridge:

Thank you for the subject letter concerning your office's plans for initial recharacterization of the radiological contamination at the Naval Station Great Lakes (NSGL). As discussed with members of the base environmental office at NSGL and Dr. Steve Doremus, of your office, we will continue to address questions and issues concerning the radiological aspect of the cleanup activities at the base to members of your staff at RASO. All other issues concerning our regulatory oversight of the cleanup at the base, including our access to the contaminated site and base personnel's efforts to maintain security and control of the site, will be addressed to the base environmental office. In addition, we understand that, beginning in fiscal year 2007, the budget for environmental cleanup at Navy installations will be appropriated to each particular installation. As such, we will address any issues related to the funding of decommissioning activities and the proposed schedule for cleanup to NSGL command and personnel beginning in FY2007.

We look forward to receiving copies of Cabrera Services reports concerning all phases of work of the decommissioning project. In particular, we would appreciate the opportunity to review and comment on all work plans at least 90 days prior to the commencement of actual work. This will provide adequate time for your contractor to make any necessary revisions to address our comments without significantly impacting your decommissioning schedule. Please address any requests that your office may have for shorter review periods to my attention. Thank you for your attention to our requests for information and your continued cooperation.

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If you have any questions concerning this issue, please do not hesitate to contact me, or Mr. Eugenio (Gene) Bonano of my staff at (630) 829-9833, or (630) 829-9826, respectively.

Sincerely,

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