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CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Ovidio E. Perez, Colonel, U.S. Army
Director, Public Works
ATTN: AFZP-DEV (Melanie Little)
Department of the Army
Headquarters, 3D Infantry Division (Mechanized) and Fort Stewart
1557 Frank Cochran Drive
Fort Stewart, GA 31314-4928

RE: Revised Final RCRA Facility Investigation (RFI) Work Plan for the Fire Protection Training Area at Wright Army Airfield [Solid Waste Management Unit (SWMU) 13] dated August 1998; Fort Stewart; EPA ID No. GA9 210 020 872.

Dear Colonel Perez:

The Hazardous Waste Management Branch of the Georgia Environmental Protection Division (GA EPD) has reviewed the above-referenced document and determined that it is complete. The Fort Stewart Response to Comments (Perez to Khaleghi) dated August 4, 1998 have been appropriately integrated into the revised work plan. Please note that, based upon our experience with metals detections in turbid groundwater samples at Fort Stewart, GA EPD explicitly recommends that your facility not collect groundwater samples for metals analyses utilizing a geoprobe during field implementation of this RFI [See Sections 4.5.2.4.1 (page 4-8) and 7.2 (page 7-2)]. Rather, Fort Stewart should limit metals analyses of groundwater samples to those collected from permanent monitoring wells utilizing low-flow sampling techniques.

We appreciate the responsiveness of your staff to GA EPD's comments on the previous version of this work plan which were transmitted in correspondence (Khaleghi to Perez) dated July 14, 1998. Per Condition IV.D.1.d in your Hazardous Waste Facility Permit #HW-045(S&T), this RCRA Facility Investigation must be conducted in accordance with the schedule of implementation contained in Table 5-2 (page 5-4) of the work plan. Should you have any questions, please contact Brent Rabon or Madeleine Kellam of my staff at (404)656-2833.

Sincerely,

Bruce Khaleghi

Bruce Khaleghi, Unit Coordinator
Hazardous Waste Management Branch

c: Mr. Larry Rogers, GA EPD-Southeast Regional Office
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