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RE: Technical Review of responses to comments and the *RCRA Facility Investigation at SS501 – Revision 1*, Cannon Air Force Base (CAFB), dated September 2017.

Dear Mr. Cobrain:

This letter discusses the responses to comments and the technical review of the revised risk assessment conducted as part of CAFB's, *RCRA Facility Investigation at SS501 – Revision 1*, dated September 2017. Responses to comments are adequate as provided and all issues related to the risk assessment have been resolved.

The revised report has been updated to remove the comparison to the range of background. When the site maximum was greater than the background reference value, a statistical comparison of site data to background was conducted. No issues were noted with the statistical analyses, which were conducted using ProUCL. In most cases, the statistical analyses showed the contaminant to be site related and it was retained for the risk assessment.

The risk assessment also has been revised to reflect the current screening level for arsenic, use of the total chromium screening level, and a discussion of total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPH) as requested in the original comments. The revised assessment also incorporates the 2017 NMED screening levels, which include a noncarcinogenic value for 2-methylnaphthalene.

Based on the results of the revised risk assessment, it is agreed the site meets conditions for corrective action complete without controls.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (801) 451-2864 or via email at pwalton@aqsnnet.com.

Thank you,

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