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Wanda Green
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Re: March 2012 Request for Designation of No Further Action for Ground Water at
Parcel 57 & Parcel 80
Fort Monmouth, New Jersey
PI G000000032

Dear Ms. Green:

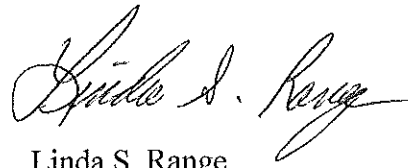
The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (Department) has completed review of the referenced submittal as regarding the request for no additional action for the elevated levels of various constituents in the ground water at the two referenced parcels. Although the previous proposal for delineation of the exceedences was approved (in October of 2008), the current submittal indicates no additional action is warranted due to naturally occurring background conditions as well as sample turbidity. No additional documentation or information was provided in substantiation of the proposal; insufficient information has therefore been provided to allow for adequate evaluation of the proposal for the parcels.

Parcel 57 exhibited elevated levels of several metals in ground water samples collected from two temporary well points. Insufficient evidence has been provided at this time to determine none of the metals are related to activities conducted on the parcel. Were the metals ever handled, used or disposed of at the parcel? What investigation was conducted to allow for this determination? Additional information/technical rationale must be provided in support of the position the exceedences are reflective of naturally occurring conditions and sample turbidity, rather than a discharge.

Parcel 80 exhibited elevated levels of beryllium in the ground water. Was beryllium ever used or disposed of at this parcel, and what investigation was conducted to allow for this determination? As above, the technical rationale to support the position beryllium was not present due to a discharge, but rather, due to naturally occurring conditions, must be provided.

Please contact this office if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Linda S. Range". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Linda S. Range
Bureau of Case Management

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