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Mr. John Lindsay
Pribilof Project Manager
U.S. Department of Commerce, NOAA
National Ocean Service
Office of Response and Restoration
7600 Sand Point Way NE BIN C15700
Seattle, WA 98115-0070

RE: Draft Closure Report for Blubber Dump Enhanced Thermal Conduction Soil Treatment Facility
Site 47, St. Paul Island dated October 1, 2004

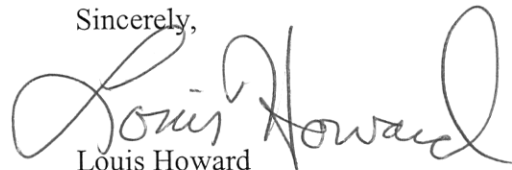
Dear Mr. Lindsay:

The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (the Department) received the above document on October 5, 2004 for review and comment. Based on a review of the data provided, the Department will grant a no further action planned determination for the Blubber Dump (Site 47). This determination is equivalent to certification by the Department that corrective action is complete under TPA section 59. Closure of Sites of Operable Units: "... NOAA may request from ADEC written confirmation that *all corrective action* has been completed at a site(s) or operable unit(s) in accordance with this Agreement. Within thirty (30) Days of its receipt of such request. ADEC shall: (1) provide written confirmation that no further corrective action is required at the subject site(s) or operable unit(s)."

The Department reserves all of its rights, under A.S. 46.03, 18 AAC 75, and 18 AAC 78 to require NOAA to conduct additional site assessment, remediation, and/or other necessary actions deemed appropriate by the Department, if information becomes available that contamination is present at Site 47 which poses an unacceptable risk to human health or safety, welfare, or the environment.

Please contact me with any questions or concerns directly at (907) 269-7552.

Sincerely,



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Project Manager