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Re: 2012 Annual Key Well Sampling - Former York Naval Ordnance Plant (fYNOP)

Dear Ms. Trowbridge and Mr. Miller:

Annual Key Well sampling and analysis has been conducted for at least the last 10 years on the fYNOP Site, and has resulted in a high quality record of groundwater chemistry trends, which was useful in the preparation of the Groundwater Remedial Investigation Report (Part 1). As you know from the weekly reports received, we are continuing with the Part 2 Remedial Investigation which started in May of this year. While we are taking samples of newly installed wells and analyzing for Priority Pollutant SVOCs, VOCs, and Metals, we are of the opinion that eliminating Key Well sampling and analyses for this calendar year will not create a significant data gap, as trends have been well established in all portions of the Site.

The Groundwater RI Part 2 work scope includes a round of sampling and analyses of groundwater from new wells and existing Key wells that will be conducted after the completion of the drilling program to provide a snapshot. A FSP addendum with a complete list of wells to be sampled and the parameters to be tested in each well will be developed near the end of the drilling program and prior to sampling. We expect that sampling round to be completed during 2013.

We discussed dropping of the 2012 key well sampling with both of you, and at the time (a month ago) you concurred with our recommendation. If you are of the opinion that conditions have changed please let us know. Otherwise this letter will stand as a record of the decision to drop the 2012 annual key well sampling.

Sincerely,
GROUNDWATER SCIENCES CORPORATION

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