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Subject:

Off-Site (Groundwater) Remedial Investigation Work Plan, Northrop Grumman Systems Corporation, Operable Unit 3 (Former Grumman Settling Ponds) Bethpage, New York.

Dear Mr. Scharf:

In accordance with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC)-approved Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS) Work Plan for Operable Unit 3 (OU3) (Former Grumman Settling Ponds) site (Site), ARCADIS of New York, Inc. (ARCADIS) is submitting this RI work plan, on behalf of the Northrop Grumman Systems Corporation (Northrop Grumman), for approval for the continuation of the off-site component of the OU3 RI (groundwater). In accordance with the provisions of the NYSDEC-approved RI/FS Work Plan, this work plan is intended to be dynamic in nature to allow flexibility in scope, based on findings. Tables 1 and 2 summarize the proposed vertical profile borings (VPBs) and permanent monitoring wells to be drilled and laboratory analyses, respectively. Figure 1 depicts the site plan showing the proposed VPB and well locations.

In summary, the following work scope for the off-site component of the OU3 RI is proposed:

1. Vertical Profile Borings (VPBs): Six VPBs (VP-109R, VP-110R, VP-113, VP-114, VP-115, and VP-116) (latter two borings will serve as contingency VPBs; VP-116 is not shown on Figure 1 due to the uncertainty in the location) are proposed to be drilled, sampled, and abandoned (VPB borehole may be used to accommodate permanent monitoring well, if appropriate) in accordance with RI/FS Work Plan protocols. The VPBs general purpose is to investigate site-related volatile organic compounds (VOCs) in groundwater off-site, while also collecting information as to the regional extent of perchlorate in groundwater. The locations of the VPBs have been selected based on existing data from off-

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site VPBs VP-100 to VP-112 and also by utilizing the NYSDEC-accepted three-dimensional Environmental Visualization Software (EVS). Based on the results of the VPBs proposed herein, additional VPBs may be considered. Conversely, some of the VPBs may not be drilled or their locations/depths adjusted based on the data to be collected. VPB specifications are provided in Table 1.

2. Monitoring Wells: A total of six permanent monitoring wells (MW-111-4, MW-112-4, MW-113-4, MW-114-5, MW-115-5, and MW-116-5) (the latter two wells will serve as contingency monitoring wells; MW-116-5 is not shown on Figure 1 due to the uncertainty in the location) are proposed to be drilled, installed, developed and sampled (the plan for sampling permanent wells will be provided at a later date) to investigate and monitor off-site groundwater quality. The locations of the permanent monitoring wells are currently proposed to be colocated with selected VPBs, however the final locations as well as the depths of the screened intervals will be determined based on all available data Monitoring well specifications are provided in Table 2.

ARCADIS will utilize existing NYSDEC-approved subcontractors for this phase of work. The driller will mobilize a mud rotary (MR) drilling rig to drill and sample VPBs and drill and install the wells. This phase of the RI will utilize drilling, geophysical logging, groundwater sampling, surveying, and laboratory analysis methodologies consistent with work previously performed for the OU3 RI.

Groundwater samples will be collected from each VPB for laboratory analysis of VOCs and perchlorate. The proposed groundwater sampling schedule and analytical parameters associated with the monitoring wells have not been determined at this time and will be included in a subsequent work plan.

The previously-designated staging area on McKay Field (owned by Northrop Grumman) will be used to store and decontaminate equipment, as well as temporarily store investigation derived wastes until characterization and disposal are completed. In keeping with past practices, waters are proposed to be disposed of to the Nassau County Publicly Owned Treatment Works (POTW) intake located on Northrop Grumman property. The approval from the Nassau County Department of Public Works (DPW) is currently pending.

The OU3 RI is expected to resume early in February 2008, contingent on NYSDEC and DPW approvals. It is expected that each VPB and monitoring well will require 4 to 5 weeks to complete. The RI field work will be conducted in accordance with the

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existing Site Operations Plan submitted at the initiation of the RI to the Town of Oyster Bay, in accordance with the existing Site Access Agreement. The field work will be coordinated with Northrop Grumman's ongoing construction of the Soil Gas Interim Remedial Measure (IRM) as well as the upcoming Groundwater IRM, located at McKay Field and the Former Grumman Plant 24 Access Road property. To optimize the RI drilling program, ARCADIS may adjust laboratory turnaround times, VPB and/or well depths and locations, and number of rigs operating simultaneously, based on the timing of groundwater quality results obtained.

The results of the off-site RI proposed in this work plan will be incorporated into the RI Report addressing the off-site area, to be submitted after the completion of the off-site RI.

If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,

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Summary of Phase 3 Remedial Investigation Off-Site Vertical Profile Borings and Rationale, Northrop Grumman Systems Corporation, Operable Unit 3 (Former Grumman Settling Ponds), Bethpage, New York. Table 1.

Rationale	Determine thickness of VOC plume identified at VP-109. Collect data pertaining to regional perchlorate concentrations per NYSDEC request.	Determine thickness of VOC plume identified at VP-110. Collect data pertaining to regional perchlorate concentrations per NYSDEC request.	Eastern/sidegradient extent of VOC plume identified at VP-103. At depth, the boring will be terminated if three consecutive groundwater sample results show trace or no detectable concentrations of VOCs. Collect data pertaining to regional perchlorate concentrations per NYSDEC request.	Southwestern/downgradient extent of VOC plume identified at VP-112. At depth, the boring will be terminated if three consecutive groundwater sample results show trace or no detectable concentrations of VOCs. Collect data pertaining to regional perchlorate concentrations per NYSDEC request.	If needed, determine southwestern/downgradient extent of VOC plume identified at VP-114. At depth, the boring will be terminated if three consecutive groundwater sample results show trace or no detectable concentrations of VOCs. Collect data pertaining to regional perchlorate concentrations per NYSDEC request.	If needed, determine downgradient extent of VOC plume identified at VP-115. At depth, the boring will be terminated if three consecutive groundwater sample results show trace or no detectable concentrations of VOCs. Collect data pertaining to regional perchlorate concentrations per NYSDEC request.
Geophysics	Gamma/ Electric	Gamma/ Electric	Gamma/ Electric	Gamma/ Electric	Gamma/ Electric	Gamma/ Electric
Groundwater Analysis	TCL VOC <sup>(3)</sup> , ClO <sub>4</sub> -	TCL VOC <sup>(3)</sup> , ClO <sub>4</sub> -	TCL VOC <sup>(3)</sup> , ClO <sub>4</sub> -	TCL VOC <sup>(3)</sup> , ClO <sub>4</sub> -	TCL VOC <sup>(3)</sup> , ClO <sub>4</sub> -	TCL VOC <sup>(3)</sup> , ClO <sub>4</sub> -
Groundwater Sampling Frequency (ft)	50	50	20	50 / 20 (4)	20	20
Groundwater Sampling Intervals (ft bls)	300 - 600 (2)	380 - 700 <sup>(2)</sup>	50 - 700 <sup>(2)</sup>	50 - 700 <sup>(2)</sup>	50 - 700 <sup>(2)</sup>	50 - 700 <sup>(2)</sup>
Soil Sampling Intervals (1) (ft bls)	None	None	None	None	None	None
VPB Total Depth (ff bls)	<b>ary VPBs</b> 600	200	700	700	ingency VPBs 700	700
Activity Sample ID	Proposed Primary VPBs VP-109R 60	VP-110R	VP-113	VP-114	Proposed Contingency VPBs  VP-115  700	VP-116

See footnotes on last page

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Summary of Phase 3 Remedial Investigation Off-Site Vertical Profile Borings and Rationale,

Northrop Grumman Systems Corporation, Operable Unit 3 (Former Grumman Settling Ponds), Bethpage, New York.

### Footnotes:

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Groundwater Hydropunch sampling will commence at the water table (approximately 50 ft bls) and proceed over the specified intervals at the indicated frequency to Soil samples may be collected from selected intervals for lithologic analysis, based on field conditions and results obtained.

Laboratory analysis of groundwater samples shall be performed using the following methods (see Revised RI/FS Work Plan QAPP terminal depth. Terminal depth will be determined based on the analytical data obtained from the VPB groundwater samples.

- Appendix B for details). VOCs: TCL List of VOCs using NYSDEC ASP 2000 Method OLM 4.2. Results will be obtained on a 24-48 hour TAT.

· Perchlorate will be analyzed using USEPA Method 314.0, or equivalent, for groundwater samples.

Hydropunch groundwater samples collected at 50 ft intervals to 400 ft bls, then at 20 ft intervals from 400 ft bls to terminal depth.

### Definitions:

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United States Environmental Protection Agency USEPA ASP

Analytical Services Protocol

Target Compound List

feet below land surface

Vertical Profile Boring

TCL ft bls VPB QAPP

Quality Assurance Project Plan

Volatile Organic Compound turnaround time

Northrop Grumman Corporation TAT VOC NGC

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Summary of Proposed Monitoring Well Construction Details, Northrop Grumman Systems Corporation, Operable Unit 3, (Former Grumman Settling Ponds), Bethpage, New York. Table 2.

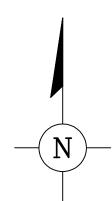
Rationale	8" Ø FM Characterize and monitor maximum VOC concentrations in groundwater that were identified at VPB VP-111.	Characterize and monitor maximum VOC concentrations in groundwater that were identified at VPB VP-112.	8" Ø FM Delineate and monitor eastern extent of VOCs in groundwater, depth/screen zone contingent on results obtained from VPB VP-113.	8" Ø FM Delineate and monitor hydraulically downgradient extent of VOCs in groundwater that were identified at VPB VP-104. Depth/screen zone contingent on results of VPB-114		8" Ø FM If VOCs identified at VP-114, delineate and monitor hydraulically downgradient extent of VOCs identified at VP- 114. Depth/screen zone contingent on results of VPB-115.	8" Ø FM If VOCs identified at VP-115, delineate and monitor hydraulically downgradient extent of VOCs identified at VP- 115. Depth/screen zone contingent on results of VPB-116.
Surface Casing	8" Ø FM	8" Ø FM	8" Ø FM	8" Ø FM		8" Ø FM	8" % FM
Well	>	>	>	<b>&gt;</b>		>	>
Gamma Log	Z (2)	N (2)	Z (2)	Z (5)		<sup>(2)</sup> Z	N (2)
Split Spoon Sampling Intervals	z	z	z	z		z	z
No. Split Spoons (1)	z	z	z	z		z	z
Total Depth (ft bmp)	460	598	200	650		650	920
Screened interval (ff bmp)	455	593	495	645		645	645
Scre inte	435	573	475	625		625	625
Screen Slot Size (in)	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01		0.01	0.01
Casing/ Screen Material	<u>IIs</u> Sch.80 PVC/ SS	Sch.80 PVC/ SS	Sch.80 PVC/ SS		ells	Sch.80 PVC/ SS	Sch.80 PVC/ SS
Nominal Borehole/ Well Diameter (inches)	ring We 7 Wells 10 / 4	10 / 4	10 / 4	10 / 4	toring W.	10 / 4	10 / 4
Well D	Proposed Monitoring Wells Primary Monitoring Wells BCP-MW111-4 10 / 4 S	BCP-MW112-4	BCP-MW113-4	BCP-MW114-5 10 / 4 Sch.80 PVC/ SS	Contingency Monitoring Wells	BCP-MW115-5	BCP-MW116-5

Soil samples may be collected for lithologic/laboratory analysis, depending on field conditions. Gamma/Electric Log run in associated VPB.

Operable Unit 3 Remedial Investigation OU3 RI FM SS PVC NGC

Flush Mount

Stainless Steel Polyvinyl chloride Northrop Grumman Systems Corporation



#### **EXPLANATION**

PROPERTY BOUNDARY OF THE FORMER GRUMMAN AEROSPACE SITE

--- PROPERTY BOUNDARY OF U.S. NAVY SITE

HHHH LONG ISLAND RAILROAD

DENOTES NORTHROP GRUMMAN OWNED PROPERTY (AS OF 2003)

DENOTES U.S. NAVY OWNED PROPERTY

(AS OF 2003)

RECHARGE BASIN

---- LIMITS OF BETHPAGE HIGH SCHOOL MAIN BUILDING

OBSERVATION, MONITORING WELL

6781 A INDUSTRIAL WELL

9591 PUBLIC SUPPLY WELL

4175 🛊 IRRIGATION WELL

WELL-17 NORTHROP GRUMMAN OR NAVY PRODUCTION WELL

ABANDONED WELL

VP-49 ⊗ COMPLETED OU2 VERTICAL PROFILE BORING

VP-100 ◆ COMPLETED OU3 VERTICAL PROFILE BORING

VP-113 PROPOSED OU3 VERTICAL PROFILE BORING

VP-115 

✓ PROPOSED OU3 CONTINGENCY VERTICAL PROFILE BORING

BCP-MW-2♦ COMPLETED OU3 MONITORING WELL OR WELL CLUSTER

MW-111-40 PROPOSED MONITORING WELL (PRIMARY OR CONTINGENCY)

BWD BETHPAGE WATER DISTRICT

VPB VERTICAL PROFILE BORING

REMEDIAL INVESTIGATION

OU2 OPERABLE UNIT 2

OU3 OPERABLE UNIT 3

### **GENERAL NOTES:**

- 1. THIS FIGURE INCLUDES LOCATIONS OF PUBLIC SUPPLY WELLS BASED ON INFORMATION RECEIVED BY ARCADIS IN RESPONSE TO A SEPTEMBER 2001 LETTER TO WATER DISTRICTS.
- 2. BASIN LOCATIONS OBTAINED FROM USGS TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS (HUNTINGTON, HICKSVILLE, FREEPORT AND AMITYVILLE QUADRANGLES) AND INFORMATION PROVIDED BY NORTHROP GRUMMAN.
- 3. NORTHROP GRUMMAN PROPERTY HOLDINGS BASED ON DATA PROVIDED IN JUNE 2003.
- 4. LOCATIONS OF MONITORING WELLS INSTALLED BY DVIRKA & BARTILUCCI (D&B) AT PLANT 1 (i.e., MW-1 TO MW-6) ARE APPROXIMATE BASED ON D&B SITE PLAN, PROVIDED ON DECEMBER 19, 2002.
- 5. PROPOSED CONTINGENCY VPBs VP-116 AND CONTINGENCY MONITORING WELL MW-116-5 NOT SHOWN DUE TO THE UNCERTAINTY IN LOCATION. IT IS EXPECTED THAT THESE LOCATIONS WILL BE SITUATED HYDRAULICALLY DOWNGRADENT OF VPB VP-115.

0.	ISSUED DATE	REVISION DESCRIPTION	BY/CKD
0	01-09-07	UPDATED	AS
1	02-05-07	PROPOSED LOCATIONS	MR
2	03-07-07	COMPLETED VP LOCATIONS	MR
3	04-09-07	PROPOSED PHASE 3 VP LOCATIONS	MR

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KEY PLAN

PROJECT TITLE

NORTHROP GRUMMAN SYSTEMS CORPORATION
OPERABLE UNIT 3
(FORMER GRUMMAN SETTLING PONDS)
BETHPAGE, NEW YORK

SHEET TITLE

SITE PLAN
SHOWING PROPOSED AND
COMPLETED VPBs AND
MONITORING WELL LOCATIONS



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