Letters for Administrative Closure

of

Mounded Material West of Range 19, Parcel 232(7)

and

Trenches at Range 19, Parcel 234(7)

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

U.S. ARMY GARRISON FORT McCLELLAN, ALABAMA 36205-5000

September 17, 2001

Environmental Office

Mr. Philip Stroud Alabama Department of Environmental Management Hazardous Waste Branch, Land Division P.O. Box 301463 Montgomery, AL 36130-1463

Dear Mr. Stroud:

The purpose of my letter is to request EPA and ADEM concurrence that Parcels 232 and 234 on Ft. McClellan may be administratively closed with no further action on the part of the Army. As we discussed during our August 2001 BCT site visit and meeting, both of these parcels were the subject of discussion at a previous site visit on March 4, 1998 by Chris Johnson of ADEM, Bart Reedy of EPA, and Ellis Pope representing the Army.

During the March 1998 visit, all attendees agreed that parcel 232, identified in the EPIC report as "Mounded Material" west of Iron Mountain Road (see Attachment A), was in actuality the result of access road grading to the Iron Mountain Road ranges, and did not represent any type of fill activity. At this time, parcel 232 no longer exists due to the extensive clearing and grading associated with clearing for the Eastern Bypass.

Parcel 234 is identified through a 1949 aerial photo composite as two trenches that intersect in an acute-angle downrange of the Range 19 firing line (see Attachment A). Upon physical inspection of this parcel during the March 4, 1998 site visit, attendees agreed that parcel 234 was actually the terraced berm on Range 19 and an old road behind the berm, also on Range 19. This "site" is still on Range 19 but, as you and Doyle observed during our recent August site visit, is not a trench, but indicates grading associated with the berms and historic access road behind the berms.

For these reasons, the Army would like to close these sites with no further investigative or remedial actions. If you have any questions or need further information, please feel free to contact me at (256) 848-6853.

Sincerely,

Ronald M. Levy

BRAC Environmental Coordinator

AHachment A



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Environmental Office

Mr. Doyle Brittain U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 61 Forsyth Street SW Atlanta, GA 30303-3104

Dear Mr. Brittain:

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During the March 1998 visit, all attendees agreed that parcel 232, identified in the EPIC report as "Mounded Material" west of Iron Mountain Road (see Attachment A), was in actuality the result of access road grading to the Iron Mountain Road ranges, and did not represent any type of fill activity. At this time, parcel 232 no longer exists due to the extensive clearing and grading associated with clearing for the Eastern Bypass.

Parcel 234 is identified through a 1949 aerial photo composite as two trenches that intersect in an acute-angle downrange of the Range 19 firing line (see Attachment B). Upon physical inspection of this parcel during the March 4, 1998 site visit, attendees agreed that parcel 234 was actually the terraced berm on Range 19 and an old road behind the berm, also on Range 19. This "site" is still on Range 19 but, as you and Philip observed during our recent August site visit, is not a trench, but indicates grading associated with the berms and historic access road behind the berms.

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Attachment A



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RE: ADEM Review and Concurrence: Concurrence Request Letter for Parcels 232 and 234, dated September 17, 2001 Fort McClellan, Calhoun County, Alabama EPA ID. No. AL4 210 020 562

Dear Mr. Levy:

The Alabama Department of Environmental Management (ADEM or the Department) has reviewed Fort McClellan's submittal for concurrence to administratively close Parcels 232 and 234 to no further action by the Army dated September 17, 2001. The closure of these parcels has been discussed at the August 2001 Base Closure Team (BCT) meeting and site visit and earlier at a site meeting and visit on March 4, 1998 by ADEM, EPA and the Army.

Based on the discussions and site visits, ADEM concurs with the proposal for administrative closure and no further action by the Army on Parcels 232 and 234.

For any questions concerning this matter, please contact Mr. Philip Stroud at 334-270-5646 or via email at pns@adem.state.al.us.

Sincerely,

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SUBJ: Parcels 232 and 234; Fort McClellan

Dear Mr. Levy:

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has reviewed and concurs with the subject September 17, 2001, request. Based on information provided to EPA, we agree that Parcels 232 and 234 on Fort McClellan may be administratively closed with No Further Action on the part of the Army. As we discussed during our August 2001 BCT site visit and meeting, it is our understanding that both of these parcels were the subject of discussion at a previous site visit on March 4, 1998, by Chris Johnson of ADEM, Bart Reedy of EPA, and Ellis Pope of the Army.

- During the March 4, 1998, site visit, Bart Reedy agreed that Parcel 232, identified in the EPIC report as "Mounded Material" west of Iron Mountain Road, was in actuality the result of access road grading to the Iron Mountain Road ranges, and did not represent any type of fill activity. At this time, Parcel 232 no longer exists due to the extensive clearing and grading associated with clearing for the Eastern Bypass.
- Parcel 234 was identified through a 1949 aerial photo composite as two trenches that intersect in an acute-angle down-range of the Range 19 firing line. This "site" is still on Range 19 but, as we observed during our August 2001 site visit, is not a trench. Instead it is the result of grading associated with the berms and historic access road behind the berms. It is actually the terraced berm on Range 19 and an old road behind the berm, also on Range 19. This is consistent with the findings of Bart Reedy on March 4, 1998.

For these reasons, EPA agrees with the decision for No Further Investigative or remedial actions of Parcels 232 and 234 as such, leaving Range 19 to be otherwise investigated.