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In reply, please refer to:

November 8, 2024

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Dear Rear Admiral Barnett:

**SUBJECT: DOH Conditional Approval of Repair QV Report for FOR Line Check Valve and Tank 5 Residual Water Removal CONOP**

On November 5, 2024, the Hawaii Department of Health (DOH) received the Navy Closure Task Force – Red Hill's (NCTF-RH's) repair quality validation (QV) report for installation of the Fuel Oil Reclamation (FOR) Check Valve. We understand the FOR Line will be used to remove fluids from the main fuel tanks to Tank S311. Based on the information submitted and the Quality Validation Engineer's certification on the completion of this repair, the DOH approves the QV submission on the conditions below. In the future, we ask that repairs be assigned repair ID numbers.

1. If the NCTF-RH or DOH identifies a concern(s) over the integrity of the FOR Line (e.g., through future testing or assessment performed on the infrastructure), additional assessment or repairs may be required.
2. The NCTF-RH continues routine inspections of the above ground portions of the FOR line to monitor for leaks and weeps.

In addition, the DOH received the Tank 5 Residual Water Removal CONOP (Concept of Operation) on October 31, 2024, and responses to our questions on November 6, 2024. Based

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on the information provided, the DOH approves the CONOP for implementation on the conditions that:

1. Before the FOR Line is used, any liquid that has accumulated above the main containment sump while the FOR Line was out of service must be drained.
2. The NCTF-RH provides the DOH an opportunity to confirm spill diversion and control measures are in-place before the operation commences, and addresses all of the DOH's comments.

Should you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Ms. Kelly Ann Lee, Red Hill Project Coordinator, at (808) 586-4226 or [kellyann.lee@doh.hawaii.gov](mailto:kellyann.lee@doh.hawaii.gov).

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