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Mr. Keith Kawaoka
Deputy Director
State of Hawaii Department of Health
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Dear Mr. Kawaoka:

Subj: RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF INTEREST IN A RELEASE OR THREATENED
RELEASE OF HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE

The U.S. Navy (the Navy) acknowledges receipt of the letter dated December 21, 2020 in which the Department of Health (DOH) expressed interest in the release or threatened release of hazardous substance (Case numbers 20200317-0914 and 20200602-1345) at Hotel Pier near Arizona Street on Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. The Navy has been in constant communication with DOH Office of Hazard Evaluation and Emergency Response since the release was first identified and reported on March 17, 2020.

The Navy is committed to ongoing collaborative efforts with DOH and will continue to share all available information with respect to this release. In an effort to resolve this release as quickly as possible, the Navy hopes DOH will make all data related to sampling at this site available. We look forward to our planned meeting with your staff in the next few weeks to discuss our progress on identifying the source, enhancement of containment efforts, and preliminary efforts on potential remedial responses at the site.

The Navy would like to again reiterate our promise to protecting public health, the environment, and the nation. If you have any questions, my point of contact is Ms. Sherri Eng at (808) 471-3858 or by email at sherri.r.eng@navy.mil. We look forward to resolving this issue as quickly as possible.

Sincerely,

A black rectangular redaction box covers the signature of J. G. Meyer.

J. G. MEYER
CAPT, CEC, U.S. Navy
By direction

References: 1. Letter to Rear Admiral Chadwick from Mr. Keith Kawaoka dated December 21, 2020 Subject: Notice of Interest in a Release or Threatened Release of Hazardous Substance