



June 6, 1997

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Dear Rick;

Enclosed is a copy of the draft final release of ATSDR's Public Health Assessment of MCB, Camp Lejeune. I am requesting that you look it over as an informal review to be sure that the factual information is accurate and to determine the acceptance of ATSDR's recommendations. I am sending you three copies, one for yourself, one for Mick Senus, and one for Joe McLernan. I've enclosed the entire document although some of the final figures are not included. I would like Mick to review section III. A. Groundwater Contamination (Base wide) beginning on page 47. I would like Joe to review section II.A. Lead Exposure (Tap Water) beginning on page 18. I have left some blanks for Joe to fill in the specifics.

Although such a review at this phase of our public health assessment process is not agency policy, I felt that too much time had past since the last release and additional information added to the document. Therefore, I expect this to be an informal review. If you prefer a different approach, I ask that you give me your "informal" comments so that I can go ahead and address them in the document, then if you choose to send formal signed comments for the record, the time delay will not affect the release date. I need to receive your "informal" comments by June 23, 1997 preferably by phone. If I haven't heard from you by then, I'll call you Tuesday, June 24. Ideally, I'd like to discuss your comments over the phone so that I can make the changes to the document at that time to quicken the process.

Thank you for all your expressed knowledge and assistance. You have been tremendously helpful in providing me the information for me to do my job. I look forward to talking with you about your comments.

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