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Mr. Shaun Halvax Southwest Marine, Inc. Foot of Sampson Street P.O. Box 13308 San Diego, CA 92170-3308

Dear Mr. Halvax:

ASSESSMENT AND REMEDIATION OF CONTAMINATED SEDIMENTS IN SAN DIEGO BAY AT NASSCO AND SOUTHWEST MARINE SHIPYARDS

On February 21, 2001, the Regional Board adopted Resolution No. 2001-03, *A RESOLUTION REQUIRING SEDIMENT STUDIES FOR ESTABLISHING SHIPYARD SEDIMENT CLEANUP LEVELS FOR SOUTHWEST MARINE, INC.* As you know, Resolution 2001-03 directs me to issue a Water Code Section 13267 letter to Southwest Marine requiring the submission of a site-specific study to develop sediment cleanup levels and identify sediment cleanup alternatives.

Accordingly, pursuant to California Water Code (CWC) Section 13267, I hereby direct Southwest Marine to conduct a site-specific study in accordance with the attached document, *GUIDELINES FOR ASSESSMENT AND REMEDIATION OF CONTAMINATED SEDIMENTS IN SAN DIEGO BAY AT NASSCO AND SOUTHWEST MARINE SHIPYARDS*. As a first step, Southwest Marine shall develop and submit to the Regional Board by June 25, 2001, a workplan and time schedule for development of the site assessment, sediment cleanup levels, sediment cleanup alternatives, and cleanup costs as described in the attached guidelines.

Under CWC Section 13268, any person failing or refusing to furnish information requested under the authority of CWC Section 13267 is guilty of a misdemeanor and may be subject to civil liability. Civil liability may be imposed administratively by the Regional Board in an amount not to exceed \$1,000 per day per violation.

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Mr. Shaun Halvax Southwest Marine

If you have any questions, or require additional assistance, please contact either Mr. Tom Alo of my staff at (858) 636-3154 or Ms. Keri Cole of my staff at (858) 467-2798.

Sincerely,

JOHN H. ROBERTUS Executive Officer

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Enclosure: Guidelines for Assessment and Remediation of Contaminated Sediments in San Diego Bay at NASSCO and Southwest Marine Shipyards, June 1, 2001

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