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From: Commanding General, Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina 28542-5001  
To: Commandant of the Marine Corps-LFL

Subj: RESPONSE TO DOCUMENTED GROUNDWATER CONTAMINATION AT HADNOT POINT FUEL FARM

Ref: (a) MCOM Project P-353, New Vehicle Ready Fuel Storage Fac of 5 Feb 87

Encl: (1) O'Brien & Gere, Inc. ltr of 26 Apr 88 w/o well boring logs

1. Request your assistance in expediting funding for the referenced project to alleviate contamination of the Hadnot Point drinking water supply. As an interim measure, we plan to shut down the fuel farm and dispense fuel at a temporary site using bulk fuel bladders, rail cars or truck tanks. To minimize the time required for this makeshift operation, it is requested that P-353 be elevated to the FY-88 military construction program.

2. The enclosure indicates fuel thickness values from 9.24 feet to 16.74 feet in the groundwater aquifer. We have notified the State of North Carolina of these data.

3. Contaminants attributed to gasoline compounds, as well as other volatile organic compounds, were documented in the Hadnot Point water supply aquifer at depths greater than 200 feet during 1984 and 1985. This resulted in the 1985 closure of eight potable wells near the fuel farm. A fuel spill recovery system is being designed under FY-88 LANTDIV contract. The recovery system will become operational as soon as practical.

4. Inventory records indicate continued losses of fuel products to the ground. Positive and swift action will demonstrate to the various regulatory agencies and the public our continued concern for human health and the environment in general.

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7. Points of contact for this matter are Mr. Al Austin for  
MILCOM issues and Mr. Bob Alexander for contamination issues.  
Both can be reached at autovon 484-3334.

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