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Major Thomas A. Townsend, USMC (Ret)
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Dear Major Townsend:

This letter is in response to your letter of August 1, 2001.

On August 6, 2001, Camp Lejeune sent a response to your questions regarding the HQMC website and the chronology of water contamination contained therein. We expect that the August 6, 2001 letter will be responsive to the questions you previously raised.

In the August 6, 2001 letter, we also indicated that we would supplement and/or correct our understanding of the chronology of events if additional information became available. Camp Lejeune recently located an additional document from Atlantic Division (LANTDIV letter of 26 August 1981), shown as enclosure 1, which indicates that results of the 1980-81 trihalomethane testing were sent to the Commanding General, Marine Corps Base (MCB), Camp Lejeune on August 26, 1981. We will be updating the HQMC chronology to reflect this new information.

Sincerely,

SCOTT A. BREWER, PE
Director, Environmental Management Division
By direction of
the Commanding General

Enclosure: LANTDIV letter dtd 26 Aug 1981

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From: Commander, Atlantic Division, Naval Facilities Engineering Command
To: Commanding General, Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune (Attention
Assistant Chief of Staff for Facilities)

Subj: Monitoring data for Trihalomethanes in drinking water; request for

Ref: (a) 40 CFR Part 141, Federal Register, Vol. 44 of 29 Nov 1979
(b) LANTNAVFACENGCOM ltr 114:WLC 6280 of 29 Jul 1980
(c) FONECON MCB CAMP LEJEUNE (Mr. D. Sharp)/LANTNAVFACENGCOM
(Mr. W. Carter) of 21 Aug 1981
(d) LANTNAVFACENGCOM ltr 114:JGW 6280 of 31 Jul 1981

Encl: (1) Summary of Trihalomethanes Regulations
(2) TTHM Surveillance Report Forms-Hadnot Point
(3) TTHM Surveillance Report Forms-MCAS H NEW RIVER

1. As an amendment to the National Primary Drinking Water Standards, reference (a) establishes a maximum contaminant level (MCL) of 0.10mg/l for total Trihalomethanes (TTHM), including chloroform, that are introduced into drinking water by the reaction of naturally occurring substances with chlorine in the course of water treatment. Enclosure (1) is a complete summary of the monitoring and reporting requirements of the regulations.
2. Reference (b) initiated the monitoring program at MCB CAMP LEJEUNE for development of a TTHM data base prior to the scheduled compliance date. However, sampling will be terminated (tentatively projected for December 1981) once sufficient data have been received by this Command to characterize the potable water supplies. At such time, further action may be pursued through planned field surveys to identify sources of organic precursors and modification within treatment plant where conditions warrant.
3. Enclosures (2) and (3) are forwarded for your information and use as requested during reference (c). They document the subject monitoring program which includes samples from the Hadnot Point and MCAS H NEW RIVER plants and distribution systems. Arrangements have been made (per reference (d)) to also include the Rifle Range plant and system in the above program commencing in July 1981. Additional data will be forthcoming, upon receipt by this office.
4. Any questions or comments regarding implementation of the sampling program should be addressed to Mr. W. Carter of this Command at AUTOVON 690-4903.

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Enclosure