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Via e-mail to alexander.strysky@mass.gov

RE: L.G. Hanscom Field North Airfield Development Project

Bedford, MA

Dear Mr. Strysky:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is aware of the L.G. Hanscom Field North Airfield Development Project in Bedford, MA. It should be noted that this proposed project may be adjacent to and/or overlie two Superfund sites known as Hanscom Field/Hanscom Air Force Base and the Naval Weapons Industrial Reserve Plant. In accordance with the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), these sites are currently being investigated and remediated by the U.S. Air Force and U.S. Navy, respectively, with oversight by EPA and the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP). This proposed project is likely to overlap with areas subject to the Air Force/Navy's investigative and remedial efforts associated with the Superfund sites, including ongoing cleanup and monitoring of contamination in groundwater, land use controls, and upcoming additional investigations of contamination in soil, sediment, and groundwater.

EPA understands that Air Force submitted comments on this project on February 8, 2023, noting that the proposed development is in the vicinity of the Hanscom Field/Hanscom Air Force Base Superfund site. EPA, MassDEP, Air Force and/or Navy, as appropriate, must be involved in future discussions regarding the proposed project in order to ensure activities related to the proposed project can occur in a manner that remains protective of human health and the environment and does not interfere with ongoing cleanup remedies or future investigations.

Please feel free to contact me at Loughlin. Anni@epa.gov or 617-918-1273 with any questions.

Sincerely,

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