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SUBJECT:

Defense Environmental Restoration Program - Formerly Used Defense Sites (DERP-FUDS) Amended Inventory Project Report (INPR) for Property No. C02NY0025,

Addendum-2, FORMER LAKE ONTARIO ORDNANCE WORKS (LOOW),

LEWISTON, NY (Close proximity to Buffalo, NY)

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Sign memorandum advising that subject INPR Addendum has been reviewed by required organizations, and recommend Division Commander approval.

SUMMARY:

The original site was established in 1942 and encompassed approximately 7,500 acres. During World War II, the US Army built and operated a TNT plant on approximately 2,500 acres of the site known as the "developed zone". The remaining 5,000 acre "undeveloped zone" served as a "buffer area" around the TNT plant. The plant manufactured bulk TNT for approximately 9 months and was decommissioned in 1943. LOOW is very complex with multiple soil and water investigation areas, numerous property owners and various land uses. All portions of LOOW are in various stages of investigation, mitigation and/or remediation. Breaking up this one large property into smaller projects will enable the Corps to close out portions of the former LOOW while prioritizing further remedial investigations of the remaining portions. This INPR Addendum will us to do that.

Remedial investigations and actions began in 1991 at LOOW when New York District (NAN) was the Project Management District for this property. NAN utilized LRB to assist in project management for the project due to their close proximity to LOOW as well as the heavy workload associated with the project. When the project was transferred to NAE in 2007 as part of FUDS Transformation, the decision was made to keep LRB as the Geographic District and continue with their PM assistance. LRB prepared this INPR Addendum with significant assistance from NAE. LRB Commander recommends approval and a memorandum documenting this is part of Enclosure 5 to the INPR Addendum package.

The INPR Addendum has been reviewed by LRB Counsel and Real Estate offices, NAE Counsel, and the HTRW Center of Expertise. All concur that this addendum should be approved.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

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