

## Finding of Suitability to Lease

**Crown Mountain, St. Thomas, U.S.V.I.**

**19.85 Acre Parcel**

**Interim License to Department of Homeland Security**

**7 March 2003**

In accordance with ASN I&E Memorandum of 22 December 1993, I have reviewed the Environmental Baseline Survey (EBS) Checklist and/or related appropriate information concerning this property.

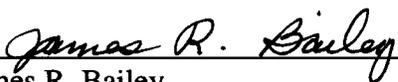
Crown Mountain is a U.S. Navy radar and communications facility located on the island of St. Thomas, U.S.V.I. The site is an instrumentation complex used mainly to support AFWTF range operations. The subject 19.85 acre parcel is primarily a buffer zone adjacent to the developed 7.16 acre building/instrumentation complex. An EBS checklist completed for this property on 27 Feb 2003 identified the following hazardous material/hazardous waste items at the site:

- Hazardous Materials: Suspected use of/storage of paints, oils, and propane.
- Asbestos: Suspected non-friable asbestos in floor tile at the Army barracks and house and asbestos sheets in an abandoned house.
- Lead Paint: Suspected use of lead-based paint in former Army barracks
- Hazardous Waste Storage: a one gal-can, a five-gal can, a 55-gal drum, and a suspected propane compressed gas cylinder in the former Army barracks

Due to these conditions, the following statement applies to the Crown Mountain 19.85 acre parcel:

Hazardous substances or petroleum products have been stored at the site for a period of more than one year, but the property is not known to be contaminated with hazardous substances or petroleum products.

It is hereby determined, after diligent inquiry, that this site is suitable for lease to the Department of Homeland Security under the terms and conditions and for the proposed uses described in the license. In addition, the license shall guarantee a right of access by the Navy to conduct environmental studies and investigations and to carry out any necessary environmental response actions.

  
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