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State Finalizes Enforcement Against Lockheed Martin for Environmental Violations

--Lockheed Martin to upgrade treatment system; pay close to \$50,000--

TALLEVAST – The Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) today reached a legal agreement with Lockheed Martin to resolve violations that occurred on August 3, 2008, when approximately 5,000 gallons of untreated wastewater was released from the company's on-site pump and treat system in Tallevast.

"These are significant violations, and DEP has taken the necessary steps to ensure that Lockheed Martin is taking swift action to address these issues in a timely manner," said DEP Southwest District Director Deborah Getzoff. "DEP is committed to enforcing the state's environmental regulations, and we are confident that Lockheed Martin has taken these violations seriously."

As a part of the enforcement agreement, Lockheed Martin has 30 days to pay DEP almost \$50,000 in penalties and agency costs. The company must also upgrade the failed pump and treat system, including the faulty shut-off sensor and the compromised secondary containment structure that allowed the release of the contaminated groundwater. Lockheed Martin cannot resume operations of the system until DEP's provides written authorization to resume pumping.

DEP is currently reviewing Lockheed Martin's long-term plan to clean up groundwater contamination that has historically moved off-site and into other Tallevast property.

To view the enforcement agreement visit www.dep.state.fl.us/southwest/.

For more information about DEP's Waste Cleanup Program visit <http://www.dep.state.fl.us/waste/categories/wc/default.htm>.



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