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October 30, 2014

Ms. Carryl MacLeod Chevron Environmental Management 6101 Bollinger Canyon Road San Ramon, CA 94583 (sent via electronic mail to: CMacleod@chevron.com) Mr. Scott Bohannon Bohannon Organization 60 31<sup>st</sup> Avenue San Mateo, CA 94403 (sent via electronic mail to: Scott.Bohannon@ddbo.com)

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60 31<sup>st</sup> Avenue
San Mateo, CA 94403
(sent via electronic mail to:
Robert.Webster@ddbo.com)

Subject: Work Plan Approval; Fuel Leak Case No. RO0000007 (Global ID # T0600100302),

Chevron #9-0504, 15900 Hesperian Blvd., San Lorenzo, CA 94580

Dear Ms. MacLeod, and Messrs. Bohannon and Webster:

Alameda County Environmental Health (ACEH) staff has reviewed the case file for the above-referenced site, including the *Data Gap Investigation Work Plan*, dated September 12, 2014, and the *Third Quarter 2014 Groundwater Monitoring Special Event and LNAPL Recovery Status Report*, dated October 20, 2014. Both reports were prepared by Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. (Stantec) of Los Gatos, California. Thank you for submitting the reports.

Based on ACEH staff review of the referenced documents and of the case file we generally concur with the recently proposed scope of work, provided that the modifications requested in the technical comments below are addressed and incorporated during the field implementation. Submittal of a revised work plan or a work plan addendum is not required unless an alternate scope of work outside that described in the work plan or technical comments below is proposed. We request that you address the following technical comments, submit the requested document, and upon ACEH approval, perform the proposed work, and send us the technical reports requested below. Please provide 72-hour advance written notification to this office (e-mail preferred to: mark.detterman@acgov.org) prior to the start of field activities.

# **TECHNICAL COMMENTS**

- 1. Work Plan Modifications The referenced work plan proposes a series of actions with which ACEH is in general agreement of undertaking. Please submit a report by the date specified below.
- 2. Groundwater Monitoring The referenced groundwater monitoring and LNAPL recovery status report proposed the use of low-flow sampling techniques at the site due to elevated, non-representative groundwater samples that appear to be caused by excess sample turbidity and the lack of analysis by Silica Gel Cleanup (SGC). The report also recommended the elimination of Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons as motor oil (TPHmo) as a chemical of concern (COC) at the site after the elimination of polar compounds by SGC and turbidity by low-flow purging. ACEH is in general concurrence with these recommendations; however, requests several modifications to the approach as follows. Please submit reports by the date specified below.
  - a. Turbidity Readings The Low-Flow Purging recommendation currently appears appropriate provided turbidity meter readings in future groundwater monitoring events are collected and document a decreased sediment load in the wells. At present well water is simply described as "cloudy" and conductivity readings for both low-flow and bailer purging are similar.
  - **b.** Low-Flow Purging Standard Protocols Low-Flow Standard Protocols were not provided with the referenced groundwater monitoring and sampling report; however, ACEH anticipates this was inadvertent and that they will be with future sampling events. In the interim, ACEH

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requests that the sample intake for the low-flow sample be within the screened interval of the well casing, rather than near the water surface, as can be typical of bailer sampling. Upon review and approval of the Low-Flow Standard Protocols, ACEH will likely be in general concurrence with the recommendations. Please provide a copy the proposed Low-Flow Standard Protocols by the date requested below.

# **TECHNICAL REPORT REQUEST**

Please upload technical reports to the ACEH ftp site (Attention: Barbara Jakub), and to the State Water Resources Control Board's Geotracker website, in accordance with the following specified file naming convention and schedule:

- November 21, 2014 Low-Flow Purge and Sample Standard Protocols (File to be named: CORRES\_L\_yyyy-mm-dd)
- January 9, 2015 Soil and Groundwater Investigation Report (File to be named: SWI\_R\_yyyy-mm-dd)
- **February 20, 2015** Fourth Quarter 2014 Groundwater Monitoring Report (File to be named: GWM\_R\_yyyy-mm-dd)

These reports are being requested pursuant to California Health and Safety Code Section 25296.10. 23 CCR Sections 2652 through 2654, and 2721 through 2728 outline the responsibilities of a responsible party in response to an unauthorized release from a petroleum UST system, and require your compliance with this request.

Online case files are available for review at the following website: <a href="http://www.acgov.org/aceh/index.htm">http://www.acgov.org/aceh/index.htm</a>.

Thank you for your cooperation. If you have any questions, please call me at (510) 567-6876 or send me an electronic mail message at <a href="mark.detterman@acgov.org">mark.detterman@acgov.org</a>.

Sincerely,

Mark E. Detterman, PG, CEG Senior Hazardous Materials Specialist

Enclosures: Attachment 1 – Responsible Party (ies) Legal Requirements / Obligations

Electronic Report Upload (ftp) Instructions

cc: Ms. Alexis Fischer, Chevron Environmental Management Company, 6101 Bollinger Canyon Road, San Ramon, CA 94583; (sent via email to <u>AFischer@chevron.com</u>)

Travis Flora, Stantec Consulting Services, Inc., 15575 Los Gatos Blvd, Los Gatos, CA 95032; (sent via email to travis.flora@stantec.com)

Dilan Roe, ACEH (sent via email to <a href="mailto:dilan.roe@acgov.org">dilan.roe@acgov.org</a>)

Mark Detterman, ACEH (sent via electronic mail to <a href="mailto:mark.detterman@acgov.org">mark.detterman@acgov.org</a>)

Electronic File, GeoTracker

#### Attachment 1

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#### **ELECTRONIC SUBMITTAL OF REPORTS**

ACEH's Environmental Cleanup Oversight Programs (LOP and SLIC) require submission of reports in electronic form. The electronic copy replaces paper copies and is expected to be used for all public information requests, regulatory review, and compliance/enforcement activities. Instructions for submission of electronic documents to the Alameda County Environmental Cleanup Oversight Program FTP site are provided on the attached "Electronic Report Upload Instructions." Submission of reports to the Alameda County FTP site is an addition to existing requirements for electronic submittal of information to the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) GeoTracker website. In September 2004, the SWRCB adopted regulations that require electronic submittal of information for all groundwater cleanup programs. For several years, responsible parties for cleanup of leaks from underground storage tanks (USTs) have been required to submit groundwater analytical data, surveyed locations of monitoring wells, and other data to the GeoTracker database over the Internet. Beginning July 1, 2005, these same reporting requirements were added to Spills, Leaks, Investigations, and Cleanup (SLIC) sites. Beginning July 1, 2005, electronic submittal of a complete copy of all reports for all sites is required in GeoTracker (in PDF format). Please **SWRCB** visit the website for more information on these requirements (http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water\_issues/programs/ust/electronic\_submittal/).

#### PERJURY STATEMENT

All work plans, technical reports, or technical documents submitted to ACEH must be accompanied by a cover letter from the responsible party that states, at a minimum, the following: "I declare, under penalty of perjury, that the information and/or recommendations contained in the attached document or report is true and correct to the best of my knowledge." This letter must be signed by an officer or legally authorized representative of your company. Please include a cover letter satisfying these requirements with all future reports and technical documents submitted for this fuel leak case.

# PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATION & CONCLUSIONS/RECOMMENDATIONS

The California Business and Professions Code (Sections 6735, 6835, and 7835.1) requires that work plans and technical or implementation reports containing geologic or engineering evaluations and/or judgments be performed under the direction of an appropriately registered or certified professional. For your submittal to be considered a valid technical report, you are to present site specific data, data interpretations, and recommendations prepared by an appropriately licensed professional and include the professional registration stamp, signature, and statement of professional certification. Please ensure all that all technical reports submitted for this fuel leak case meet this requirement.

#### **UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK CLEANUP FUND**

Please note that delays in investigation, later reports, or enforcement actions may result in your becoming ineligible to receive grant money from the state's Underground Storage Tank Cleanup Fund (Senate Bill 2004) to reimburse you for the cost of cleanup.

# **AGENCY OVERSIGHT**

If it appears as though significant delays are occurring or reports are not submitted as requested, we will consider referring your case to the Regional Board or other appropriate agency, including the County District Attorney, for possible enforcement actions. California Health and Safety Code, Section 25299.76 authorizes enforcement including administrative action or monetary penalties of up to \$10,000 per day for each day of violation.

# Alameda County Environmental Cleanup Oversight Programs (LOP and SLIC)

**REVISION DATE:** May 15, 2014

ISSUE DATE: July 5, 2005

PREVIOUS REVISIONS: October 31, 2005;

December 16, 2005; March 27, 2009; July 8, 2010,

July 25, 2010

**SECTION:** Miscellaneous Administrative Topics & Procedures

**SUBJECT:** Electronic Report Upload (ftp) Instructions

The Alameda County Environmental Cleanup Oversight Programs (LOP and SLIC) require submission of all reports in electronic form to the county's ftp site. Paper copies of reports will no longer be accepted. The electronic copy replaces the paper copy and will be used for all public information requests, regulatory review, and compliance/enforcement activities.

### **REQUIREMENTS**

- Please do not submit reports as attachments to electronic mail.
- Entire report including cover letter must be submitted to the ftp site as a single portable document format (PDF) with no password protection.
- It is preferable that reports be converted to PDF format from their original format, (e.g., Microsoft Word) rather than scanned.
- Signature pages and perjury statements must be included and have either original or electronic signature.
- <u>Do not</u> password protect the document. Once indexed and inserted into the correct electronic case file, the
  document will be secured in compliance with the County's current security standards and a password. <u>Documents</u>
  with password protection will not be accepted.
- Each page in the PDF document should be rotated in the direction that will make it easiest to read on a computer monitor.
- Reports must be named and saved using the following naming convention:

RO#\_Report Name\_Year-Month-Date (e.g., RO#5555\_WorkPlan\_2005-06-14)

#### **Submission Instructions**

- 1) Obtain User Name and Password
  - a) Contact the Alameda County Environmental Health Department to obtain a User Name and Password to upload files to the ftp site.
    - i) Send an e-mail to deh.loptoxic@acgov.org
  - b) In the subject line of your request, be sure to include "ftp PASSWORD REQUEST" and in the body of your request, include the Contact Information, Site Addresses, and the Case Numbers (RO# available in Geotracker) you will be posting for.
- 2) Upload Files to the ftp Site
  - a) Using Internet Explorer (IE4+), go to <a href="ftp://alcoftp1.acgov.org">ftp://alcoftp1.acgov.org</a>
    - (i) Note: Netscape, Safari, and Firefox browsers will not open the FTP site as they are NOT being supported at this time.
  - b) Click on Page located on the Command bar on upper right side of window, and then scroll down to Open FTP Site in Windows Explorer.
  - c) Enter your User Name and Password. (Note: Both are Case Sensitive.)
  - d) Open "My Computer" on your computer and navigate to the file(s) you wish to upload to the ftp site.
  - e) With both "My Computer" and the ftp site open in separate windows, drag and drop the file(s) from "My Computer" to the ftp window.
- Send E-mail Notifications to the Environmental Cleanup Oversight Programs
  - a) Send email to deh.loptoxic@acgov.org notify us that you have placed a report on our ftp site.
  - b) Copy your Caseworker on the e-mail. Your Caseworker's e-mail address is the entire first name then a period and entire last name @acgov.org. (e.g., firstname.lastname@acgov.org)
  - c) The subject line of the e-mail must start with the RO# followed by **Report Upload**. (e.g., Subject: RO1234 Report Upload) If site is a new case without an RO#, use the street address instead.
  - d) If your document meets the above requirements and you follow the submission instructions, you will receive a notification by email indicating that your document was successfully uploaded to the ftp site.