

ALAMEDA COUNTY  
**HEALTH CARE SERVICES**  
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Goldsmith Lathrop  
Address Unknown

FP and Marcia F. and Sandra Hyde  
FP and Marcia F. and Sandra Hyde Trust  
Address Unknown

Subject: Request for Closure Response, List of Landowners Form Request, Meeting Request; Fuel Leak Case No. RO0000071 and Geotracker Global ID T0600102203, Goldsmith Lathrop, 5813-5815 Shellmound St, Emeryville, CA 94608

Dear Ladies and Gentleman:

Alameda County Department of Environmental Health (ACDEH) staff has reviewed the case files including the *Request for Regulatory Closure*, dated July 11, 2017. The report was submitted on your behalf by Gribi Associates (Gribi). Thank you for submitting the report.

ACDEH is considering the subject case for potential closure. As you are aware a site investigation and groundwater monitoring for underground storage tank (UST) leak case has been performed at the subject property to which you are named as the primary or active responsible party. Please be aware that the closure will be limited to the UST case at the site. Prior, or at, the time of closure, ACDEH will require that you enter into an agreement to open another environmental case to investigate residual contamination at the site that is not associated with this specific UST.

On three previous dates (December 6, 2013, August 28, 2014, and June 8, 2017) ACDEH sent Responsible Parties notices that closure of the case was under consideration, informed you that a public comment notice had been generated and would be sent to interested parties, provided you a copy of the public notice and a list of known interested parties, and requested the return of a completed *List of Landowners Form*. As of today the *List of Landowners Form* has not been returned completed; however the public comment period has ended. The public comment period did not yield any public comments. **Case closure cannot proceed until the *List of Landowners Form* is completed and returned.** As described below, the intent of the form is to verify that all recent parcel owners have received a copy of the public comment, and have had an opportunity to comment on the potential closure of the environmental case. As noted above, please be aware that the closure is specifically limited to contamination associated with the former UST and not other sources known to be present beneath the site.

#### **List of Landowners Form**

Pursuant to Section 25297.15 (a), ACDEH, the local agency, shall not consider cleanup or site closure proposals from the primary or active responsible party, issue a closure letter, or make a determination that no further action is required with respect to a site upon which there was an unauthorized release of hazardous substances from an underground storage tank subject to this chapter unless all current record owners of fee title to the site of the proposed action have been notified of the proposed action by the primary or active responsible party. ACDEH is required to notify the primary or active responsible party of their requirement to certify in writing to the local agency that the notification requirement in the above-mentioned regulation has been satisfied and to provide the local agency with a complete mailing list of all record fee title owners. To satisfy this requirement, please complete the enclosed *List of Landowners Form*, and mail or e-mail it back to ACDEH by the date identified below.

### **Meeting Request**

In order to discuss the subject site, contamination related to the former UST, residual non-UST related contamination which has been documented at the site, and the request for entry into a Voluntary Remedial Action Program (VRAP) environmental case, ACDEH would like to arrange a meeting with you and your consultant(s). Please forward potential meeting dates and times, by the date identified below.

### **SUBMITTAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT**

Please note that ACDEH has updated Attachment 1 with regard to report submittals to ACDEH. ACDEH will now be requiring a Submittal Acknowledgement Statement, replacing the Perjury Statement, as a cover letter signed by the Responsible Party (RP). The language for the Submittal Acknowledgement Statement is as follows:

*I have read and acknowledge the content, recommendations and/or conclusions contained in the attached document or report submitted on my behalf to ACDEH's FTP server and the SWRCB's Geotracker Website.*

Please make this change to your submittals to ACDEH.

### **TECHNICAL REPORT REQUEST**

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

- **September 22, 2017** - Return *List of Landowner Form* and Identification of Potential Meeting Dates  
File to be named: RO71\_LNDOWNR\_F\_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: <http://www.acgov.org/aceh/index.htm>.

If your email does not appear above, or below on the list of cc's, please forward your email to ACDEH in order to more efficiently and quickly communicate.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at (510) 567--6876 or send me an electronic mail message at [mark.detterman@acgov.org](mailto:mark.detterman@acgov.org).

Sincerely,



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

Enclosures: Attachment 1 – Responsible Party (ies) Legal Requirements/Obligations &  
Electronic Report Upload (ftp) Instructions

Attachment - *List of Landowners Form*

cc: Michael Park, 1940 Webster St, Suite 200, Oakland, CA 94612

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Jim Gribi, Gribi Associates, 1090 Adams Street, Suite K, Benicia, CA 94510, (Sent via electronic mail to: [jgribi@gribiassociates.com](mailto:jgribi@gribiassociates.com))

Dilan Roe, ACDEH, (Sent via electronic mail to: [dilan.roe@acgov.org](mailto:dilan.roe@acgov.org))

Paresh Khatri, ACDEH; (Sent via electronic mail to: [paresh.khatri@acgov.org](mailto:paresh.khatri@acgov.org))

Mark Detterman, ACDEH, (Sent via electronic mail to: [mark.detterman@acgov.org](mailto:mark.detterman@acgov.org))

Electronic File; GeoTracker

# LIST OF LANDOWNERS FORM

County of Alameda  
Environmental Health Services  
Environmental Protection  
1131 Harbor Bay Parkway, Suite 250  
Alameda, CA 94502-6577

## CERTIFIED LIST OF RECORD FEE TITLE OWNERS FOR:

Site Name: Goldsmith Lathrop  
Address: 5813 – 5815 Shellmound Street  
City, State, Zip: Emeryville, CA 94608  
Record ID #: RO0000071

Please fill out item 1 if there are multiple site landowners (attach an extra sheet if necessary). If you are the sole site landowner, skip item 1 and fill out item 2.

1. In accordance with Section 25297.15(a) of Chapter 6.7 of the California Health & Safety Code, I, \_\_\_\_\_ (name of primary responsible party), certify that the following is a complete list of current record fee title owners and their mailing addresses for the above site:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

2. In accordance with Section 25297.15(a) of Chapter 6.7 of the California Health & Safety Code, I \_\_\_\_\_, certify that I am the sole landowner for the above site.

Sincerely,

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Primary Responsible Party      Printed Name      Date      E-mail Address

## Attachment 1

### Responsible Party(ies) Legal Requirements / Obligations

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#### ELECTRONIC SUBMITTAL OF REPORTS

Alameda County Department of Environmental Health's (ACDEH) Environmental Cleanup Oversight Programs, Local Oversight Program (LOP) and Site Cleanup Program (SCP) 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 File Transfer Protocol (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 SCP 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 visit the SWRCB website ([http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water\\_issues/programs/ust/electronic\\_submittal/](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/ust/electronic_submittal/)) for more information on these requirements.

#### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT

All work plans, technical reports, or technical documents submitted to ACDEH must be accompanied by a cover letter from the responsible party that states, at a minimum, the following: "I have read and acknowledge the content, recommendations and/or conclusions contained in the attached document or report submitted on my behalf to ACDEH's FTP server and the SWRCB's GeoTracker website." 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 6731, 6735, and 7835) 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 licensed 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 case meet this requirement. Additional information is available on the Board of Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors, and Geologists website at: <http://www.bpelsg.ca.gov/laws/index.shtml>.

#### UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK CLEANUP FUND

Please note that delays in investigation, late 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.

<b>Alameda County Environmental Cleanup Oversight Programs (LOP and SCP)</b>	<b>REVISION DATE:</b> December 1, 2016
	<b>ISSUE DATE:</b> July 5, 2005
	<b>PREVIOUS REVISIONS:</b> October 31, 2005; December 16, 2005; March 27, 2009; July 8, 2010, July 25, 2010; May 15, 2014, November 29, 2016
<b>SECTION:</b> Miscellaneous Administrative Topics & Procedures	<b>SUBJECT:</b> Electronic Report Upload (ftp) Instructions


The Alameda County Environmental Cleanup Oversight Programs (LOP and SCP) 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.**
- **Do not 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. **Documents 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](mailto: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) Open File Explorer using the Windows  key + E keyboard shortcut.
    - i) Note: Netscape, Safari, and Firefox browsers will not open the FTP site as they are NOT being supported at this time.
  - b) On the address bar, type in ftp://alcoftp1.acgov.org.
  - c) Enter your User Name and Password. (Note: Both are Case Sensitive)
  - d) Click Log On.
  - e) Open "My Computer" on your computer and navigate to the file(s) you wish to upload to the ftp site.
  - f) 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.
- 3) Send E-mail Notifications to the Environmental Cleanup Oversight Programs
  - a) Send email to [deh.loptoxic@acgov.org](mailto: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.