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(sent via electronic mail to: SHill@waterboards.ca.gov)

Subject: Case Referral to RWQCB; Fuel Leak Case No. RO00000257 (Global ID #T0600102154), Abe

Petroleum, 17715 Mission Boulevard, Hayward, CA 94544

Dear Mr. Hill:

As part of a larger process to move sites to closure Alameda County Environmental Health (ACEH) staff has reviewed the subject case files and case history, and believe that this site fits a case profile that would benefit from referral to the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB). As a consequence, this letter is intended to memorialize the transfer and to notify interested parties of this referral action.

Site Background

The subject site is located in commercial / residential mixed use area of Hayward at the intersection of Mission Boulevard and East Lewelling. Four gasoline USTs and one waste oil UST were removed from two excavations in September 1997. Upon installation in August 2000 wells MW-1 to MW-3 detected up to 290,000 μ g/l TPHg and 10,000 μ g/l benzene in groundwater. The December 2011 semi-annual groundwater monitoring event detected up to 31,900 μ g/l TPHg, 1,720 μ g/l benzene, and 1,490 μ g/l MTBE (among other compounds) in groundwater beneath the site (MW-1). At well MW-3, at the onsite downgradient extent, concentrations up to 8,870 μ g/l TPHg and 502 μ g/l benzene (among other compounds) were detected. Contamination extends offsite beneath a residential neighborhood. Offsite downgradient delineation is provided by three widely spaced wells (MW-5 to MW-7) approximately 200 feet downgradient in the residential neighborhood. After submittal of a work plan addendum to clarify several points in early September 2011, a 5-day DPE pilot test was approved in a directive letter dated November 28, 2011. A recent review of the site by the UST Cleanup Fund in their 5-Year Review process is in agreement with ACEH directives. The consultant verbally reports that the pilot test wells / bores have been installed; however, completion of ACEH approved work was terminated on or about March 6, 2012, by the attorney for the Responsible Parties, Mr. Abe Gupta.

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

Sincerely,

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