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June 28, 2012

Mr. Balaji Angle B&C Gas Mini Mart 35584 Conovan Lane Fremont, CA 94536

Mr. John Rutherford Desert Petroleum 3781 Telegraph Road Ventura, CA 93003-3420

Subject: Case File Review for Fuel Leak Case No. RO0000278 and GeoTracker Global ID T0600100930, Desert Petroleum #795, 2008 First Street, Livermore, CA 94550

Dear Mr. Angle and Mr. Rutherford:

Alameda County Environmental Health (ACEH) staff has reviewed the fuel leak case file for the above-referenced site including the most recent document entitled, "Quarterly Groundwater Monitoring and Remediation Report, First Quarter 2012," dated April 30, 2012 (Report). The Report, which was prepared on your behalf by Stratus Environmental, Inc., presents results from semi-annual groundwater monitoring and briefly describes operation of the ozone injection system. The ozone sparging system is currently being operated; however, monitoring of the performance of the system appears to be minimal. Therefore, as discussed in technical comment 1 below, we request that you submit plans to increase the scope and effectiveness of the system monitoring. We also request that you submit a Work Plan by August 28, 2012 that addresses technical comments 2 through 4 below.

#### **TECHNICAL COMMENTS**

- 1. Monitoring and Reporting of Future Ozone Sparging. The monitoring and reporting regarding operation of the ozone sparging system following pilot testing has been limited in scope and frequency. In the Work Plan requested below, we request that you submit plans to increase the scope and effectiveness of systems operation and performance monitoring to be conducted during future operation of the ozone sparging system. Systems operation monitoring is to include data to confirm oxidant injection concentrations, volumes, flow rates, and radius of influence. The Work Plan should also include methods for monitoring of potential metals mobilization and monitoring of potential off-gassing into the vadose zone.
- 2. **Well MW-6.** Well MW-6 has apparently been damaged and cannot be used for monitoring. In the Work Plan requested below, please include plans to replace well MW-6 in order to monitor the effects of sparging using injection well SP-2A/B.

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- 3. Expanding Ozone Sparging System. During a December 8, 2011 meeting between ACEH, Stratus, and Mr. Angle, off-site expansion of the ozone injection system was discussed in order to increase the treatment area. In the Work plan requested below, we request that you review the data collected to date and present plans for expansion of the system.
- 4. **Soil Vapor Extraction.** The "Corrective Action Plan," dated January 21, 2009 and prepared by Golder, included plans for operation of an ozone sparging system to treat the saturated zone and a soil vapor extraction (SVE) system to treat the unsaturated zone. In correspondence dated February 24, 2011, Golder indicated that SVE was not a viable remedial option due to an increase in groundwater levels. At that time, the depth to groundwater was considered to be above the source zone, which was identified by Golder as 36 to 48 feet bgs. We request that you review current site conditions and evaluate whether SVE is a viable remedial approach for treating vadose zone soils. Please include plans for SVE in the Work Plan requested below if current conditions are favorable for implementation.

#### **TECHNICAL REPORT REQUEST**

Please submit technical reports to Alameda County Environmental Health (Attention: Jerry Wickham), according to the following schedule:

August 28, 2012 – Work Plan

If you have any questions, please call me at (510) 567-6791 or send me an electronic mail message at <a href="mailto:jerry.wickham@acgov.org">jerry.wickham@acgov.org</a>. Case files can be reviewed online at the following website: <a href="mailto:http://www.acgov.org/aceh/index.htm">http://www.acgov.org/aceh/index.htm</a>. As your email address does not appear on the cover page of this notification ACEH is requesting you provide your email address so that we can correspond with you quickly and efficiently regarding your case.

Sincerely,

Jerry Wickham, California PG 3766, CEG 1177, and CHG 297 Senior Hazardous Materials Specialist

Attachment: Responsible Party(ies) Legal Requirements/Obligations

Enclosure: ACEH Electronic Report Upload (ftp) Instructions

cc: Danielle Stefani, Livermore Pleasanton Fire Department, 3560 Nevada St, Pleasanton, CA 94566 (Sent via E-mail to: dstefani@lpfire.org)

Colleen Winey (QIC 8021), Zone 7 Water Agency, 100 North Canyons Pkwy, Livermore, CA 94551 (Sent via E-mail to: cwiney @zone7water.com)

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Eric Uranga, City of Livermore Economic Development, 1052 S. Livermore Ave., Livermore, CA 94550 (Sent via E-mail to: ejuranga@ci.livermore.ca.us) ejuranga@ci.livermore.ca.us

Scott Bittinger, Stratus Environmental, 3330 Cameron Park Drive, Ste. 550, Cameron Park, CA 95682 (Sent via E-mail to: sbittinger@stratusinc.net)

Gowri Kowtha, Stratus Environmental, 3330 Cameron Park Drive, Ste. 550, Cameron Park, CA 95682 (Sent via E-mail to: gkowtha@stratusinc.net)

Donna Drogos, ACEH (Sent via E-mail to: <a href="mailto:donna.drogos@acgov.org">donna.drogos@acgov.org</a>)
Jerry Wickham, ACEH (Sent via E-mail to: <a href="mailto:jerry.wickham@acgov.org">jerry.wickham@acgov.org</a>)

GeoTracker, eFile

#### **Attachment 1**

## Responsible Party(ies) Legal Requirements/Obligations

#### REPORT REQUESTS

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.

## **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 visit the SWRCB website for more information on these requirements (<a href="http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/ust/electronic\_submittal/report\_rqmts.shtml">http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/ust/electronic\_submittal/report\_rqmts.shtml</a>.

#### 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:** July 20, 2010

ISSUE DATE: July 5, 2005

**PREVIOUS REVISIONS:** October 31, 2005; December 16, 2005; March 27, 2009; July 8, 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 with password protection will not be accepted.</u>
- 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 dehloptoxic@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.
  - 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.
- 3) Send E-mail Notifications to the Environmental Cleanup Oversight Programs
  - a) Send email to dehloptoxic@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.