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# Subject: Work Plan Addendum for Fuel Leak Case No. RO0000289 and GeoTracker Global ID T0600102223, Owens Brockway Glass, 3600 Alameda Avenue, Oakland, CA 94601

Dear Mr. Neal:

Alameda County Environmental Health (ACEH) staff has reviewed the case file for the abovereferenced site including the recently submitted document entitled, "Work Plan to complete a Detailed Utility Survey and Sampling, and Soil and Groundwater Investigation to Address data Gaps," dated July 7, 2009, which was prepared by CKG Environmental, Inc. (CKG) for the subject site. CKG proposes to conduct a detailed utility survey followed by soil sampling at up to eight locations to evaluate possible hydrocarbon migration along utility corridors (i.e. preferential pathways). CKG also proposes to install up to 45 borings using a Geoprobe<sup>™</sup> rig to delineate soil and groundwater contamination on and off-site.

ACEH generally concurs with the proposed scope of work; however, additional information is necessary prior to approving the scope of work. At this time, please address the following technical comments and send us the work plan addendum described below.

#### **TECHNICAL COMMENTS**

- 1. Subsurface Utility Survey In Task 2 in the above-mentioned work plan, CKG proposes to "to locate and clearly map out all utilities within the western fuel storage area, and along Alameda Avenue on both sides so that their contribution to contaminant migration can be assessed." CKG states that "[o]nce the utility survey is completed CKG will contract with Cruz Brothers to use their vacuum potholing equipment to expose subsurface utilities at up to eight selected locations so that utility backfill can be observed for potential petroleum hydrocarbon impact. One soil sample will be collected from each pothole." However, it is not clear whether backfill material or native soil beneath the backfill material will be sampled and how the sample will be collected. It is recommended that the soil sample be collected using a slide hammer or equivalent device or technique to ensure that an undisturbed soil sample can be retrieved. ACEH is especially concerned with the sampling methodology since vacuum potholing may affect the volatile organic compounds that may be present in the soil. Please address the above-mentioned concerns and submit a work plan addendum due by the date specified below.
- 2. <u>Geoprobe™ Investigation</u> In Task 3, CKG proposes to install up to 45 borings. CKG states that "[t]hirty eight borings are shown on the attached Plate 2." However, thirty-six

boring locations appear to be illustrated on Plate 2. Please clarify whether thirty-six or thirtyeight locations should be illustrated. Also, based on Plate 2, it is difficult to determine whether the proposed boring locations adequately delineate the soil and groundwater contamination since existing monitoring well locations were not illustrated. Please include a revised figure that illustrates not only the proposed sampling locations but also the existing monitoring well network. Please address the above-mentioned concerns and submit a work plan addendum due by the date specified below.

- 3. <u>Chemical Analyses</u> In Task 4, CKG proposes to submit select soil samples for VOC analysis by EPA Method 8260, "[d]epending on the intensity of petroleum impact." It is not clear whether the additional VOC analysis will be conducted on soil samples based on PID readings or visual or olfactory observations in the field, or elevated laboratory analytical results. Please provide clarification to address the above-mentioned concerns and submit a work plan addendum due by the date specified below.
- 4. GeoTracker Compliance A review of the case file and the State Water Resources Control Board's (SWRCB) GeoTracker website indicate that an electronic copies of the work plan and recent groundwater monitoring reports have not been submitted to GeoTracker, rendering the site to non-compliance status. Pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Title 23, Division 3, Chapter 16, Article 12, Sections 2729 and 2729.1, beginning September 1, 2001, all analytical data, including monitoring well samples, submitted in a report to a regulatory agency as part of the UST or LUST program, must be transmitted electronically to the SWRCB GeoTracker system via the internet. Also, beginning January 1, 2002, all permanent monitoring points utilized to collect groundwater samples (i.e. monitoring wells) and submitted in a report to a regulatory agency, must be surveyed (top of casing) to mean sea level and latitude and longitude to sub-meter accuracy using NAD 83. A California licensed surveyor may be required to perform this work. Additionally, pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Title 23, Division 3, Chapter 30, Articles 1 and 2, Sections 3893, 3894, and 3895, beginning July 1, 2005, the successful submittal of electronic information (i.e. report in PDF format) shall replace the requirement for the submittal of a paper copy. Please complete the surveying and upload all applicable electronic submittal types such as the analytical data (EDF), survey data (GEO XY and GEO Z), and PDF reports from July 1, 2005 to current to GeoTracker by the date specified below. Electronic reporting is described below.

# TECHNICAL REPORT REQUEST

Please submit technical reports to ACEH (Attention: Paresh Khatri), according to the following schedule:

- September 14, 2009 Complete Electronic Uploads to GeoTracker
- October 12, 2009 Soil and Water Investigation Work Plan Addendum

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

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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 vears, 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 (http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/ust/electronic submittal/report rgmts.shtml.

#### 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.

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## 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.

If you have any questions, please call me at (510) 777-2478 or send me an electronic mail message at paresh.khatri@acgov.org.

Sincerely,

Paresh C. Khatri Hazardous Materials Specialist

Enclosure: ACEH Electronic Report Upload (ftp) Instructions

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GeoTracker
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Alameda County Environmental Cleanup Oversight Programs (LOP and SLIC)	ISSUE DATE: July 5, 2005
	REVISION DATE: March 27, 2009
	PREVIOUS REVISIONS: December 16, 2005, October 31, 2005
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

- Entire report including cover letter must be submitted to the ftp site as a single portable document format (PDF) with no password protection. (Please do not submit reports as attachments to electronic mail.)
- 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)

## Additional Recommendations

• A separate copy of the tables in the document should be submitted by e-mail to your Caseworker in **Excel** format. These are for use by assigned Caseworker only.

## **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 <u>dehloptoxic@acgov.org</u>
      - Or
    - ii) Send a fax on company letterhead to (510) 337-9335, to the attention of My Le Huynh.
  - 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="https://alcoftp1.acgov.org">https://alcoftp1.acgov.org</a>
    - (i) Note: Netscape and Firefox browsers will not open the FTP site.
  - b) Click on File, then on Login As.
  - 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 <u>dehloptoxic@acgov.org</u> 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.