# ALAMEDA COUNTY

# **HEALTH CARE SERVICES**





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April 18, 2011

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Subject: Approval of Interim Remedial Action Plan; Fuel Leak Case No. RO0000302 and

Geotracker Global ID T0600100639, German Autocraft, 301 East 14th Street, San

Leandro, CA 94577-1713

#### Dear Responsible Parties:

Thank you for submitting the *Preferential Pathway Study*, dated February 24, 2011, the *Well Destruction* and *Additional Investigation Results Report*, dated March 3, 2001, and the *Quarterly Groundwater Monitoring Report – First Quarter 2011*, dated April 7, 2011. The reports were generated by Straus Environmental, Inc. (Stratus) and submitted on your behalf. The reports are appreciated and continue move the site forward.

The reports document generally limited concentrations of detectable hydrocarbons in the vadose zone beneath the former dispenser island and former waste oil UST. This appears to address what could have been potentially significant sources and fills several data gaps at the site. The presence of elevated hydrocarbon concentrations (2,400 mg/kg TPHg, 27 mg/kg ethylbenzene, and 89.6 mg/kg total xylenes) approximately 8 feet beneath groundwater at bore B-4, at a location approximately 20 feet upgradient of the presumed source, is notable, but is similar to that found at well MW-2, or well MW-3 (but which are downgradient). In addition the results of the preferential pathway study, including a well survey, a utility conduit survey, and a neighborhood basement survey, appears to suggest limited potential for vapor intrusion into vicinity residential and commercial structures. The results of the 2009 soil vapor survey additionally help support these findings. Conversely, the generally limited percentage of residents present at home to respond during the neighborhood canvas for basements indicates additional measures are appropriate to increase this rate, but which are not considered necessary prior to implementation of an Interim Remediation Action Plan (IRAP). This is based on the lack of soil vapor concentrations above ESLs at a depth of 11 to 13 feet below grade surface (bgs) at off site locations, and assumed maximum basement depths of 10 feet bgs.

Based on ACEH staff review of the reports, ACEH is in agreement with the conclusions and recommendations contained in the *Well Destruction and Additional Investigation Results Report*, namely that the IRAP be implemented as described in the *Site Conceptual Model and Interim Remedial Action Plan*, submitted by Stratus, dated October 18, 2010, with subsequent modifications contained in the Technical Comments section of the ACEH directive letter, entitled *Modified Work Plan Approval*, and dated December 16, 2010. We request that you address the following technical comments, perform the proposed work, and send us the reports described below. Please provide 72-hour advance written notification to this office (e-mail preferred to: <a href="mark.detterman@acgov.org">mark.detterman@acgov.org</a>) prior to the start of field activities.

#### **TECHNICAL COMMENTS**

1. **Implementation of IRAP** – Please implement the IRAP and report on the results as described above by the date identified below.

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# **TECHNICAL REPORT REQUEST**

Please submit technical reports to ACEH, according to the following schedule:

• August 1, 2011 - Report of Interim Remedial Actions

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.

Should you have any questions, please contact 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 Hazardous Materials Specialist

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

Electronic Report Upload (ftp) Instructions

cc: Kasey Jones, Stratus Environmental, Inc, 3330 Cameron Park Drive, Suite 550, Cameron Park, CA 95682, (sent via electronic mail to kaseyjones@stratusinc.net)

Donna Drogos, ACEH, (sent via electronic mail to <a href="mailto:donna.drogos@acgov.org">donna.drogos@acgov.org</a>)
Mark Detterman, ACEH, (sent via electronic mail to <a href="mailto:mark.detterman@acgov.org">mark.detterman@acgov.org</a>)
Geotracker, e-File

#### **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** website information on these requirements visit the for more (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.

#### **Attachment 1**

# 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.
- 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 <a href="mailto:deh.loptoxic@acgov.org">deh.loptoxic@acgov.org</a>
  - 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 ftp://alcoftp1.acgov.org
    - (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.
- 3) Send E-mail Notifications to the Environmental Cleanup Oversight Programs
  - a) Send email to <a href="mailto:deh.loptoxic@acgov.org">deh.loptoxic@acgov.org</a> 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.