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**To:** ["Jonathan Lin"](mailto:Jonathan.Lin@acgov.org)  
**Subject:** RE: Case No. RO0000338  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 09, 2011 4:06:00 PM

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Jonathan,

You will need to hire a consultant who has experience in environmental work to perform a soil and groundwater study. We do not make consultant recommendations or maintain a list of potential qualified consultants. If you are having trouble getting on to our County website I can walk you through the procedure. The website is <http://www.acgov.org/aceh/lop/ust.htm>. You can search on your RO number (RO338) and you'll see the documents the Alameda County has that pertain to your site. Once you are in the Alameda County Local Oversight Program (LOP) webpage click on 'find a site' then enter your RO number in the search box. The report that shows the location of the tanks is the TANK\_R report. If you have a report from Caltrans which shows them having performed work on your portion of the property please upload the document, as well as any other environmentally related reports- such as a Phase One Environmental Assessment (ESA-I)- not currently on our website, for our review.

The question regarding the notice from the seller to the buyer is best left to a legal professional. Lenders for commercial property transactions typically require a ESA-I be performed as a condition of the loan. The presence of the former tanks and the possible non-compliance to the first directive letter should have been identified in the ESA-I report.

Respectfully,

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From: Jonathan Lin [<mailto:jonathan.limex@gmail.com>]  
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Hi Keith,

Would you be able to give me some direction on how to proceed with this matter? Quite honestly, I am not familiar with any of this, so any guidance would be most appreciated.

Additionally, when we purchased the property, was the previous owner supposed to disclose information about the underground storage tanks? We don't have anything in our purchase file about it. Do you happen to know if the USTS were physically on the property, or just close enough to warrant a soil report? David does remember getting a clear soil report from Caltrans for the portion of the property purchased from them.

Thanks and Best Regards,

Jonathan

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