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From: Detterman, Mark, Env. Health
Sent: Tuesday, November 13, 2012 12:24 PM
To: 'Markus Niebanck'
Subject: RE: Re RO0000339

Hi Markus,

It has been awhile. You are correct that this particular site has pretty low values, but they are modestly above the ESLs (granted only TPH). The intent for the permit tracking system notification is essentially along the lines of new Geotracker regulations, where all releases (even very "limited" ones) are documented by opening a case, but that a site can be closed quickly. So like Geotracker, it is basically a marker that there was some documented contamination left in place, and this allows future subsurface events at the site to be aware of this and act accordingly. Obviously this doesn't fit the LTCP de-emphasis of TPH, but as mentioned, it's principally a marker so folks can be aware when they break ground at a site. Hope that helps.

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From: Markus Niebanck [<mailto:mniebanck@ci.emeryville.ca.us>]
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Mark,

Thanks for the cc on the Closure Letter. Just curious – you say that this site is to be entered into Emeryville's permit tracking system. We haven't connected on this concept in quite some time.

I anticipate having to explain certain things to the Planning Director to update him, so this question. The results of analysis of soil samples from the recent borings show only very low concentrations of hydrocarbons, at a glance below all the basic metrics (like ESLs).

What are the levels above which you anticipate asking to record something in the tracking system? Knowing how your desired protocol will help me get this set up.

Thanks.

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