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Subject: Fuel Leak Case No. RO0000358 and Geotracker Global ID T0600101354, Exxon 7-0235, 2225 Telegraph Ave., Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Ms. Sedlachek:

Thank you for the recently submitted documents entitled, *Site Assessment Report* dated December 12, 2008 and *Semi-Annual Groundwater Monitoring Report, Third Quarter 2011* dated October 10, 2011 which were prepared by Cardno ERI for the subject site. Alameda County Environmental Health (ACEH) staff has reviewed the case file including the above-mentioned reports for the above-referenced site. The site assessment report presents data collected from three cone penetrometer test borings at the site. The maximum concentrations were 20,000 micrograms per liter ($\mu\text{g/L}$) total petroleum hydrocarbons as gasoline (TPHg), 26,000 $\mu\text{g/L}$ TPH as gasoline (TPHd), and 4,200 $\mu\text{g/L}$ benzene in the first water encountered. Deeper water samples collected from between 38 and 41 feet below ground surface contained maximum concentrations of 670 $\mu\text{g/L}$ TPHg, 470 ppb TPHd, 65 $\mu\text{g/L}$ benzene, and 1.9 $\mu\text{g/L}$ methyl tertiary butyl ether (MTBE). The most recent groundwater monitoring report indicates that TPHg concentrations have increased since 2006 in the northeast portion of the site and that elevated petroleum hydrocarbon concentrations remain in this vicinity.

ACEH requests that you address the following technical comments and send us the technical report described below.

TECHNICAL COMMENTS

1. **Remaining contamination in the Northeastern Portion of the Site.** – Maximum concentrations of 38,000 $\mu\text{g/L}$ TPHg and 15,000 $\mu\text{g/L}$ benzene were detected in groundwater in boring B-9 in 2007 and 26,000 $\mu\text{g/L}$ TPHd were detected in CPT-1 in 2008. In addition, it appears that TPHg concentrations have increased in well MW-6B since 2006 and remain elevated in the northeast corner of the site. At this time, it appears necessary to prepare a Draft Feasibility Study/Corrective Action Plan (FS/CAP) prepared in accordance with Title 23, California Code of Regulations, Section 2725 appears warranted. The FS/CAP must include a concise background of soil and groundwater investigations performed in connection with this case and an assessment of the residual impacts of the chemicals of concern (COCs) for the site and the surrounding area where the unauthorized release has migrated or may migrate. The FS/CAP should

also include, but is not limited to, a detailed description of site lithology, including soil permeability, and most importantly, contamination cleanup levels and cleanup goals, in accordance with the San Francisco Regional Water Quality Control Board (SFRWQCB) Basin Plan and appropriate ESL guidance for all COCs and for the appropriate groundwater designation. Please note that soil cleanup levels should ultimately (within a reasonable timeframe) achieve water quality objectives (cleanup goals) for groundwater in accordance with the SFRWQCB Basin Plan. Please specify appropriate cleanup levels and cleanup goals in accordance with 23 CCR Section 2725, 2726, and 2727 in the FS/CAP.

The FS/CAP must evaluate at least three viable alternatives for remedying or mitigating the actual or potential adverse affects of the unauthorized release(s) besides the 'no action' and 'monitored natural attenuation' remedial alternatives. Each alternative shall be evaluated not only for cost-effectiveness but also its timeframe to reach cleanup levels and cleanup goals, and ultimately the Responsible Party must propose the most cost-effective corrective action.

2. **Tank and System Documentation and Testing** – As detailed above, petroleum hydrocarbon concentrations have been increasing in the area generally downgradient of the dispensers since 2006. This indicates a potential for a new release. Please submit the Form B for the system so we can evaluate the current tank system, submit the previous secondary containment reports for the dispensers, conduct tank and system tightness testing on the current UST system and submit the dispenser upgrade report.

TECHNICAL REPORT REQUEST

Please submit technical reports to ACEH (Attention: Barbara Jakub), according to the following schedule:

- **March 20, 2012** – Form B, secondary containment reports, System Tightness Testing Results and upload Dispenser Upgrade Report
- **April 16, 2012** – Draft Feasibility Study/ Corrective Action Plan

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Thank you for your cooperation. Should you have any questions or concerns regarding this correspondence or your case, please call me at (510) 639-1287 or send me an electronic mail message at barbara.jakub@acgov.org.

Sincerely,

Barbara J. Jakub, P.G.
Hazardous Materials Specialist

Enclosure: Responsible Party(ies) Legal Requirements/Obligations
ACEH Electronic Report Upload (ftp) Instructions

cc: Paula Sime, Environmental Resolutions, Inc., 601 North McDowell Blvd. Petaluma, CA 94954 (*Sent via E-mail to: psime@ERI-US.com*)
Leroy Griffin, Oakland Fire Department, 250 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, Ste. 3341, Oakland, CA 94612-2032 (*Sent via E-mail to: lgriffin@oaklandnet.com*)
Donna Drogos, ACEH (*Sent via E-mail to: donna.drogos@acgov.org*)
Barbara Jakub, ACEH (*Sent via E-mail to: barbara.jakub@acgov.org*)
GeoTracker, file

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 (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.

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 deh.loptoxic@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 <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 deh.loptoxic@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.