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Alameda County Health Care Services Agency Environmental Health Department, Local Oversight Program Attn: Mr. Steven Plunkett

1131 Harbor Bay Parkway, Suite 250 Alameda, California 94502-6577

Subject: Groundwater Monitoring Schedule & Case Closure Request Status

UST Case RO#0000397, Global ID T0600101631

Caltrans Maintenance Station, 1112 29th Avenue, Oakland, CA

Dear Mr. Plunkett:

On behalf of Caltrans, Shaw Environmental, Inc. (Shaw) has prepared this submittal in response to your letter dated July 24, 2009, regarding the above site. In your letter, you requested that groundwater monitoring at this site be performed on a semiannual basis, unless site-specific needs warrant otherwise. This letter provides rationale and a request to suspend the groundwater monitoring requirements.

Caltrans submitted the *Low Risk Case Closure Summary Report* (Geocon Consultants, Inc., June 2006) to the Alameda County Local Oversight Program (LOP) for review in 2006. In response to subsequent LOP correspondence regarding landowner notification requirements, Caltrans submitted a letter dated January 9, 2007, certifying sole ownership of the property. On January 21, 2009, updated survey data for the existing monitoring wells at the site was uploaded to the GeoTracker system. During a subsequent telephone conversation on May 8, 2009, you indicated case closure review for this site was pending, and that you did not anticipate requiring any further investigation at the site.

The Low Risk Case Closure Summary Report concludes that the site does not pose an undue threat to human health or the environment and site conditions are suitable for case closure. In our opinion, additional site investigation work or groundwater monitoring would provide nominal environmental benefit, if any, since there already appears to be sufficient justification for case closure.

Therefore, on behalf of Caltrans, Shaw is requesting that the requirement for groundwater monitoring at the site be suspended, and that the LOP complete a review of the *Low Risk Case Closure Summary Report* and consider the site for case closure. Assuming the LOP concurs with the request for case closure, we understand that the four existing monitoring wells at the site would need to be properly destroyed before case closure could be finalized.

If you have any questions regarding this submittal, you can contact me by telephone at 408.573.5975, or by email to andrew.lehane@shawgrp.com.

Sincerely,

Shaw Environmental, Inc.

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