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Michelle Gallagher Hunter [mgh@rthicksconsult.com] Tuesday, July 15, 2008 2:30 PM Jakub, Barbara, Env. Health 'Michael Carey'; Moss, Jonathan; Millham, John 1401 Park Ave-RO0000399

Hi Barb: Thanks for your time today.

As I tried to explain, the entities who received the letter for the RO0000399 LUST site are not the responsible parties for the LUST. Below is a brief history of the site.

1401-1421 Park Ave-Electro Coatings Inc.

ECI conducted chromium and nickel plating at their facility located at 1401 and 1421 Park Avenue from approximately 1963-1995. The two addresses were one facility. ECI never owned 1421, an entity named 1421 Park Avenue Associates owned it. ECI simply polluted it (with chlorinated solvents, chromium, and the LUST).

In about 1997, 1421 Park Avenue Associates sold the 1421 Park Avenue property to 1421 Park Avenue LLC (Fordham Properties in Emeryville). I believe ECI removed the tank prior to that change in ownership. Nevertheless, the tank was located on the 1421 Park Avenue portion of the property.

In 2000, Levin Menzies Kelly and Associates (LMK) bought the 1401 Park Avenue Property from ECI (beginning my involvement with the properties). That property was "carved out" and the environmental file closed (with the RWQCB-Mark Johnson is the regulator) in September 2000, just before title transfer-the 1421 Park Avenue property still has an open environmental file with the RWQCB.

In late 2005, LMK (LMK is now Laconia Development-located at 1981 North Broadway in Walnut Creek-an address attributed to 1421 Park Ave Associates) sold the property to Prometheus Real Estate Development. The LLC created by Prometheus during the acquisition was Rolling Oaks Drive. Neither of these entities (LMK or Prometheus) had anything to do with the LUST or the tank pull at 1421. Neither of these entities have ever owned an interest in that (1421 Park) property.

so, currently the owners are:

1421 Park Ave, LLC (Fordham Properties) owns 1421 and bought it in about 1997 AFTER the tank pull

Prometheus owns 1401 and bought it from LMK (Laconia) in 2005

LMK (now called Laconia in Walnut Creek) owned 1401 for 5 years but no longer does Rollings Oaks = Prometheus currently owns 1401

ECI - ElectroCoatings Inc. (Engine Components Inc) is the RP for BOTH sites. Their contact information is:

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Please let me know if you have any questions. I have cc'd my contacts at Prometheus and Laconia. I called Fordham to let them know about the letter.

Best regards, Michelle Hunter

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