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**From:** Nowell, Keith, Env. Health  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 05, 2015 5:02 PM  
**To:** 'RPapler@waterboards.ca.gov'  
**Cc:** jprall@portoakland.com; dheinze@portoakland.com; Roe, Dilan, Env. Health  
**Subject:** Fuel leak cases RO35- Port of Oakland / Union Pacific Railroad and RO435 - Port of Oakland Port of Oakland / Union Pacific Motor Freight  
**Attachments:** CORRES\_L\_2014-08-18.pdf

Roger,

Alameda County Environmental Health (ACEH) is providing oversight for several Port of Oakland (Port) cases. Discussions with the Port suggest at least two of these cases are under the oversight of the San Francisco Bay Region, Regional Water Quality Control Board (SF-RB). Two of the cases in question are:

SF-RB CASE #: 01-1538 (Global ID T0600101587), Port of Oakland / Union Pacific Railroad and addressed as 1717 Middle Harbor Road (ACEH case file # RO0000035)

and

SF-RB CASE #: 01-1538 (Global ID T0600101421) Port of Oakland / Union Pacific Motor Freight (ACEH case file # RO0000435) and addressed as 1750 Ferro Street.

Geotracker lists ACEH as the lead agency for both of these cases. However, as part of the Port redevelopment project named the Vision 2000 program (aka V2K), the SF-RB issued an Order, Order 99-055, that may have transferred oversight of cases along a portion of the Oakland waterfront to the SF-RB. I've included a correspondence from the Port regarding this issue as an attachment.

My questions include:

1. Are the two cases encompassed by Order 99-055,
2. Is the order still in place, and
3. Is the SF-RB acting as lead.

If the answer is yes to all three questions, ACEH will close out the cases. If not, lets discuss the status of the cases and determine which agency should be the acting lead agency.

If you are not the appropriate contact for this message, please forward it to the appropriate person and include me as a cc.

Please contact me at 510 / 567 - 6764 or send me an email at [keith.nowell@acgov.org](mailto:keith.nowell@acgov.org).

Thank you,  
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**From:** John Prall <jprall@portoakland.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 18, 2014 2:59 PM  
**To:** Nowell, Keith, Env. Health  
**Cc:** Richard Sinkoff; Jeff Jones; Douglas Herman; Colleen Liang; Roe, Dilan, Env. Health; Diane Heinze  
**Subject:** RE: Fuel Leak Cases RO35 - Port of Oakland / Union Pacific Railroad & RO435 - Port of Oakland / Union Pacific Motor Freight  
**Attachments:** Table and Reference Documents for RO0000035.doc; Table and Reference Document for RO0000435.doc

Keith-

Here are the summary's for County Cases RO#35, the Trailer-on-Flat-Car Site or TOFC, and RO#435, the Union Pacific Motor Freight Site. Both files are a mixture of projects including UPMF, UPMF & TOFC, TOFC, and the Port's Vision 2000 Program that relates to the UPMF and the TOFC. The Vision 2000 Program or V2K was conducted under Order 99-055 prepared by the local Regional Water Quality Control Board. The County was informed about the design and construction of a groundwater and free product diesel treatment system that addressed the TOFC with capability (at the time) of expansion of the system to address the UPMF area. The TOFC file, RO#35, contains reports and correspondence about a spill of diesel fuel that occurred on the rail tracks east of the TOFC located in front of the former APL Terminal administration building. A fuel tank on a Union Pacific locomotive was punctured by a broken steel rail. Union Pacific performed a removal action removing several gondola railcars of ballast rock and underlying soils.

I propose the following classification for the filing:

TOFC

TOFC & UPMF

UPMF

Diesel Spill Site

If you have any questions and/or comments on the above including the attached file summary's, please call or email me.

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**From:** Nowell, Keith, Env. Health [mailto:Keith.Nowell@acgov.org]

**Sent:** Friday, June 20, 2014 8:55 AM

**To:** Diane Heinze

**Cc:** Richard Sinkoff; John Prall; Jeff Jones; Douglas Herman; Colleen Liang; Roe, Dilan, Env. Health

**Subject:** Fuel Leak Cases RO35 - Port of Oakland / Union Pacific Railroad & RO435 - Port of Oakland / Union Pacific Motor Freight

Dear Ms. Heinze,

Thank you and Port of Oakland (Port) representatives Richard Sinkoff, John Prall, Jeff Jones, Douglas Herman, and Colleen Liang for the opportunity for Alameda County Environmental Health (ACEH) to review with you the status of the cases in ACEH's Port case portfolio in the meeting held at the Port offices on June 18, 2014. Amongst the items discussed at the meeting, the Port identified these sites as also having open cases with the San Francisco Bay Region - Regional Water Quality Control Board (SFRWQCB). As agreed in the meeting, ACEH will contact the SFRWQCB (attention Roger Papler) after July 1, 2014 to determine if these cases will be transferred to the SFRWQCB or will remain as ACEH cases.

In order to facilitate ACEH's discussion with the SFRWQCB, please provide a summary of the cases you are referring to and provide a map identifying the location of these cases.

Please upload the technical reports to the ACEH ftp site (Attention: Keith Nowell), and to the State Water Resources Control Board's Geotracker website, in accordance with the following specified file naming convention and schedule:

- **August 17, 2014– Summary Report** (file name: RO0000035-435\_CASE\_SUM\_R\_yyyy-mm-dd)

Thank you for your cooperation. ACEH looks forward to working with you and your consultants to advance the case toward closure. Should you have any questions regarding this correspondence or your case, please call me at (510) 567-6764 or send an electronic mail message at [keith.nowell@acgov.org](mailto:keith.nowell@acgov.org).

Regards,

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