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November 16, 2011

Mr. Stuart Depper  
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Subject: Case File Review for Fuel Leak Case No. RO0000458 and GeoTracker Global ID T0600100262, Glovatorium, 3820 Manila Avenue, Oakland, CA 94611

Dear Mr. Depper:

Alameda County Environmental Health (ACEH) staff has reviewed the case file for the above referenced site including the three most recently submitted documents entitled:

- *"Request for Extension of Time to Implement Free Product and Additional Groundwater Investigation at 3820 Manila Street, Oakland, CA, Fuel Leak Case#R0458,"* dated July 18, 2011.
- *"Letter Report Requesting UST Site Closure for the Underground Storage Tank Investigation Area (i.e. the Former Glovatorium) Located at 3820 Manila Ave., Oakland, CA,"* dated September 19, 2011.
- *"Second Semi-Annual 2011, Groundwater Monitoring and Interim Remedial Action Report,"* dated October 28, 2011.

On March 28, 2011, SOMA Environmental Engineering, Inc. submitted a Work Plan Addendum to delineate the extent of free product over a portion of the site. ACEH approved the plans to complete the free product delineation in correspondence dated April 28, 2011 and requested that you submit a report with the results of the free product delineation no later than August 26, 2011. We later received the July 18, 2011 document referenced above which indicated that you and your consultant were developing an alternate plan and would consider alternative methods including removal of the building slab to address the underlying contamination. A 60-day extension beyond the August 26, 2011 due date was requested to complete the free product delineation. The free product delineation has not been completed to date.

On September 19, 2011, ACEH received the *"Letter Report Requesting UST Site Closure for the Underground Storage Tank Investigation Area (i.e. the Former Glovatorium) Located at 3820 Manila Ave., Oakland, CA,"* which presented a series of opinions without substantive technical merit or content. The September 19, 2011 document, which was prepared by Franklin J. Goldman, presents a series of opinions regarding the use of commercial property in Oakland, solvents in groundwater, free product recovery, and presents a general presumption that no further work is needed,

The most recent document received is the *"Second Semi-Annual 2011, Groundwater Monitoring and Interim Remedial Action Report,"* dated October 28, 2011, which recommends continued operation of the MPE pilot test at the site, an additional treatment unit for the MPE system, and continued groundwater monitoring.

These three most recent documents present three different courses of future action. Given the site conditions, it is clear that additional work is needed at this site and that a request for case closure is not appropriate. However, it is not clear which action you would like to move forward with. ACEH is willing to consider alternate proposals particularly proposals that will accelerate the movement towards site

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cleanup and closure. Therefore, we request that you complete the proposed free product delineation or provide an alternative proposal for the free product delineation and cleanup.

### **TECHNICAL REPORT REQUEST**

Please submit technical reports to Alameda County Environmental Health (Attention: Jerry Wickham), according to the following schedule:

- **January 14, 2012** – Complete Delineation of Free Product or Present Alternate Proposal for Free Product Delineation and Site Cleanup
- **May 22, 2012** – First Quarter 2012 Semi-Annual Groundwater Monitoring and Interim Remedial Action Report

If you have any questions, please call me at (510) 567-6791 or send me an electronic mail message at [jerry.wickham@acgov.org](mailto:jerry.wickham@acgov.org). Online case files are available for review at the following website: <http://www.acgov.org/aceh/index.htm>. If your email address does not appear on the cover page of this notification ACEH is requesting you provide your email address so that we can correspond with you quickly and efficiently regarding your case.

Sincerely,

Jerry Wickham, California PG 3766, CEG 1177, and CHG 297  
Senior Hazardous Materials Specialist

Attachment: Responsible Party(ies) Legal Requirements/Obligations

Enclosure: ACEH Electronic Report Upload (ftp) Instructions

cc: Leroy Griffin, Oakland Fire Department, 250 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, Ste. 3341, Oakland, CA 94612-2032 2032 (*Sent via E-mail to: [lgriffin@oaklandnet.com](mailto:lgriffin@oaklandnet.com)*)

Albert Cohen, Loeb & Loeb LLP, 10100 Santa Monica Boulevard, Suite 2200, Los Angeles, CA 90067-4164

Mansour Sepehr, SOMA Environmental Engineering, 6620 Owens Drive, Suite A, Pleasanton, CA 94588 (*Sent via E-mail to: [msepehr@somaenv.com](mailto:msepehr@somaenv.com)*)

Franklin J. Goldman, P.O. Box 224, Roseville, CA 95661 (*Sent via E-mail to: [fjgoldmanchg@yahoo.com](mailto:fjgoldmanchg@yahoo.com)*)

Bruce Page, Bruce Page Consulting, Inc., 439 Kearney Street, El Cerrito, CA 94530

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Eric Depper, 3820 Manila Avenue, Oakland, CA 94611

Donna Drogos, ACEH (*Sent via E-mail to: [donna.drogos@acgov.org](mailto:donna.drogos@acgov.org)*)

Jerry Wickham, ACEH (*Sent via E-mail to: [jerry.wickham@acgov.org](mailto:jerry.wickham@acgov.org)*)

GeoTracker, eFile

## Attachment 1

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#### 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/](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.

<b>Alameda County Environmental Cleanup Oversight Programs (LOP and SLIC)</b>	<b>REVISION DATE:</b> July 20, 2010
	<b>ISSUE DATE:</b> July 5, 2005
	<b>PREVIOUS REVISIONS:</b> October 31, 2005; December 16, 2005; March 27, 2009; July 8, 2010
<b>SECTION:</b> Miscellaneous Administrative Topics & Procedures	<b>SUBJECT:</b> 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](mailto: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](mailto: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.