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Nick Andrusyshyn  
Schnitzer Steel Products  
1101 Embarcadero West  
Oakland CA 94607

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH  
State Water Resources Control Board  
Division of Clean Water Programs  
UST Local Oversight Program  
1131 Harbor Bay Parkway  
Alameda, CA 94502-6577  
(510) 567-6700

RE: Schnitzer Steel Site, 1101 Embarcadero West, (formerly known as "foot of Adeline St."),  
Oakland CA 94607

Dear Mr. Andrusyshyn,

I am in receipt of the "Report of Quarterly Groundwater Sampling," prepared by Hageman-Aguiar, dated 1/16/95. This report documents sampling activities on 12/19/94 for 4 groundwater monitoring wells. All 4 wells were analyzed for TPH as gasoline and BTEX. Results were non-detectable (ND) for all 4 wells on this date.

Table 3 of this report also documents ND sampling results for the previous 2 quarters: 6/20/94 and 9/21/94. Unfortunately, I have not received copies of the Quarterly Reports for those 2 quarters. During a telephone conversation with Gary Aguiar today, he indicated that he sent copies of those reports to you some time ago. Please forward those reports to this office within 30 days, or by June 2, 1995.

The good news is that, upon review of this case, monitoring wells 1, 2, and 3 no longer need to be sampled or monitored for groundwater elevations (GWEs). They have been ND for TPH-gasoline and BTEX for the past 6 quarters. However, MW4 should be analyzed for at least one more quarter (for TPH-g and BTEX), so as to hopefully establish 4 consecutive quarters of ND concentrations. If this well is ND for the next sampling event, we can initiate the closure process for this site, the end result of which is a "Remedial Action Completion Certification," signed by the Director of the Environmental Health Department.

I understand that MW4 (or the other wells) were not sampled during the first quarter 1995. So as to continue and hopefully finish this project in a timely manner, you are requested to sample MW4 for TPHg and BTEX within 30 days, or by June 2, 1995. Please submit the report to this office, along with your cover letter requesting case closure, if appropriate, within 60 days after the sampling date.

The reason you are not required to continue to monitor the wells for GWE is because we have data for the past 6 quarterly events which shows the groundwater flow direction as being consistently South to Southwest. In addition, the site is adjacent to the estuary.

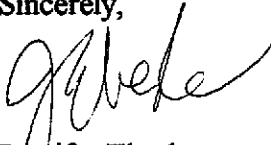
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Lastly, please clarify the following: We have an address for the responsible party of Schnitzer Steel as: 3300 NW Yeon Ave., Portland OR 97210, Attn: Harold Pollack. **Please respond as to whether this address should be changed to 1101 Embarcadero West.**

I understand that MWs 1-3 are being sampled for metals on an annual basis, and PCBs on a semi-annual basis. This sampling is a self-monitoring type of activity, which the RWQCB is overseeing, as per order #88-023. Thus, this letter is being copied to Rich Hiatt of the RWQCB.

If you have any questions, please contact me directly at 510-567-6761.

Sincerely,



Jennifer Eberle  
Hazardous Materials Specialist

cc: Gary Aguiar, Hageman-Aguiar, 3732 Mt. Diablo Blvd. Suite 372, Lafayette CA 94549  
Rich Hiatt, RWQCB  
Bill Reynolds, Acting Chief/file

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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH  
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Harold Pollack  
Schnitzer Steel Products  
3300 NW Yeon Ave.  
Portland OR 97210

RE: Schnitzer Steel site  
Foot of Adeline St.  
Oakland CA 94607

ST Local Oversight Program  
80 Swan Way, Rm 200  
Oakland, CA 94621  
(510) 271-4530

Dear Mr. Pollack,

As you may recall, two gasoline underground storage tanks (USTs) were removed from the above referenced site in November of 1988. We are in receipt of a letter report prepared by Hageman-Schank, Inc., dated 12/2/88, which documents tank removal activities. There appears to be no contamination associated with tank #1, which was removed on 11/8/88. However, there was soil contamination associated with tank #2, which was subsequently overexcavated to non-detectable concentrations. A sample was collected of the water from the excavation, and it contained 18,000 ppb TPHg and 39 ppb benzene.

This sample indicates that the groundwater was affected by petroleum hydrocarbons. Therefore, we request a workplan or proposal for a groundwater investigation, submitted under cover letter from yourself, and prepared by a recognized professional as outlined below. The groundwater investigation should consist of a minimum of three monitoring wells in an equilateral triangular configuration to determine groundwater flow direction and to assess groundwater quality. Please submit the workplan for a groundwater investigation **within 60 days or by September 16, 1993.**

All work should adhere to a) the Tri-Regional Board Staff Recommendations for Preliminary Evaluation and Investigation of Underground Tank Sites, dated 8/10/90; and b) Article 11 of Title 23, California Code of Regulations. Reports and proposals must be submitted **under seal** of a California-Registered Geologist, - Certified Engineering Geologist, or -Registered Civil Engineer. If you have any questions, please contact me at 510-271-4530.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Eberle  
Hazardous Materials Specialist

cc: Bruce Hageman, 3732 Mt. Diablo Blvd., Suite 372, Lafayette  
CA 94549  
Ed Howell/file

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