

ALAMEDA COUNTY
HEALTH CARE SERVICES

AGENCY

DAVID J. KEARS, Agency Director



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July 23, 1997
STID #239

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SERVICES
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Alameda, CA 94502-6577
(510) 567-6700
(510) 337-9335 (FAX)

Kinder Company
c/o Mr. Thomas S. Stenstrom
6210 Medau Place
P O Box 13304, Stn. E
Oakland CA 94616

Re: Tri-Cities Cleaners, 2560 E. - 14th Street, Oakland 94601

Dear Mr. Stenstrom:

This office has received and reviewed the revised workplan for Environmental Investigation, dated May 2, 1997, for the above referenced site.

According to the case file overexcavation activities were conducted December 1990. One of six soil samples, collected for confirmatory purposes, exhibited up to 3,300 ppm TPH-n from the south wall at 12 ft-bgs (below-ground-surface).

The inferred groundwater flow direction, which was evaluated on the adjacent site, is toward the west-southwest. There is a possibility that soil with elevated concentrations of TPH may be encountered along site boundaries from the neighboring properties.

With respect to site conditions, your work plan to drill four soil borings, near the property perimeter is approved with the stipulation additional work may be required. Submission of the report documenting field activities, must be received by this office by September 10, 1997.


After review of the report documenting the proposed field activities, your site will be evaluated for closure as a Low Risk Soil and/or groundwater case. If contamination exceeds RBSL, the plume must be characterized and determine if conditions have stabilized.


A total of eleven samples (seven soil and four groundwater) will be analyzed by a California Certified laboratory. Samples will be analyzed for TPH naphtha, gasoline, diesel, mineral spirits kerosene, jet fuel, fuel oil no. 6, lubricating oil, BTEX and PNA's.

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Please be advised that this letter constitutes a former request for technical reports pursuant to the California Water Code Section 13267(b) and the Health and Safety Code Sections 25299.37 and 25299.78. Should you have any questions or concerns, do not hesitate to contact Thomas Peacock directly at (510) 567-6782.

Sincerely,


Kevin Tinsley

c: Thomas Peacock, L.O.P. manager 
Julie Menack, R.G., CEG, C.H., Menack/Associates, 5319 Miles
Ave, Oakland CA 94618

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January 13, 1997

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6210 Medau Place
P.O. Box 13304, Stn. E
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RE: TRI CITY CLEANERS, 2560 EAST 14TH STREET, OAKLAND, CA 94601

Dear Mr. Stenstrom:

This office is in receipt of and has completed review of the case file for this site, up to and including the December 7, 1992, Groundwater Technologies, Inc. (GTI) "Work Plan for Environmental Investigation".

The GTI work plan is designed to evaluate the extent of petroleum naphtha in soil and groundwater near the former location of two underground storage tanks (USTs) at the above referenced site. Three soil borings will be emplaced around the former UST excavation, and one soil boring into the excavation backfill materials. Temporary piezometers will be installed in order to evaluate the groundwater gradient at the site.

A total of nine samples (five soil and four groundwater) will be analyzed by a California-certified laboratory. Samples will be analyzed by the Hydrocarbon Screen Method which includes gasoline, mineral spirits, kerosene, jet fuel, diesel, fuel oil No. 6 and lubricating oil, as well as benzene, toluene, ethyl benzene and xylene isomers (BTEX).

This work plan is approved with the stipulation that all soil and groundwater samples be analyzed for the presence of polynuclear aromatic compounds (PNAs). After review of the report documenting the above-described field activities, this site will be reviewed to determine whether it qualifies as a "Low Risk soils and/or Groundwater Case" as defined in the California Regional Water Quality Control Board "Interim Guidance on Required Cleanup at Low Risk Fuel Sites".

This letter constitutes a formal request for technical reports pursuant to Health and Safety Code Sections 25185.6 and 25187.1.

This offices apologizes for the failure to respond to this work plan in a timely manner. Please feel free to call me directly at 510/567-6880 should you have any questions.

Mr. Thomas S. Stenstrom
RE: 2560 E. 14th Street, Oakland
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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dale Klettke". The signature is written in black ink and is followed by a horizontal line extending to the right.

Dale Klettke, CHMM
Hazardous Materials Specialist

c: Dale Klettke--files
Michael Wray, c/o Groundwater Technology, Inc., 4057 Port Chicago Highway, Concord,
CA 94520

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RAFAT A. SHAHID, ASST. AGENCY DIRECTOR

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH
State Water Resources Control Board
Division of Clean Water Programs
UST Local Oversight Program
80 Swan Way, Rm 200
Oakland, CA 94621
(510) 271-4530

October 23, 1992
STID # 239

Mr. Thomas Stenstrom
The Kinder Co.
P.O. Box 133304, Station E
Oakland CA 94661

Re: Request for Subsurface Investigation at 2560 E. 14th St.,
Oakland, CA 94601 dba Tri City Cleaners

Dear Mr. Stenstrom:

Our office has received and reviewed the summary of soil and water samples results taken subsequent to the underground storage tank removals performed in September and October of 1990 at the above site. This information was presented in the November 26, 1990 report issued by Mr. Bud Gaudreau of Reay Environmental Services. Recall that these were two 1000 gallon naphtha tanks at the rear of Tri City Cleaners. The analytical results indicate detectable concentrations of Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons as diesel, TPHd, in the water sample taken from the excavation. In addition, Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons as naphtha was found in the concentrations of 220 parts per million (ppm) and 680 ppm in the soil samples taken from the north and south ends of tank 2.

Because of these results, this site is considered to have experience an unauthorized release of petroleum hydrocarbon, the extent of which must be determined and remediated. This will minimally consist of the determination of the extent of soil and groundwater contamination and providing plan of correction. Enclosed please find a copy of **Appendix A, Workplan for Initial Subsurface Investigation**, a guidance document from the Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) representing the elements of an appropriate workplan proposal. Also enclosed, please find an Unauthorized Release form to be filled out by you or a designee and returned to this office within **10 days** of receipt.

Please note that in accordance to the Underground Tank Closure/Modification Plan, you were to have submitted a closure report **within 60 days** after the removal of the tanks. The November 26, 1990 report from Reay Environmental Services was incomplete.

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Please provide the following information:

1. A copy of the manifest for the two tanks removed from this site plus any other hazardous waste generated from this site. This material may include any residual waste, pipings, rinsate etc.
2. Please provide copies of all non-hazardous soils generated from this site. If any stockpiled soils were reused as backfill, please provide copies of all analytical results verifying the concentrations of this soil.
3. Please indicate the final status of the piping leading to these tanks. Verify that the piping was either removed or rinsed and capped in place if removal was not possible. You may provide copies of any photos which may show the pipings fate.
4. If any remedial measures were performed, such as overexcavation, please provide analytical results of any resamplings.

Please submit a workplan for your initial investigation and the above items to complete your tank closure report to our office within **45 days** of receipt of this letter.

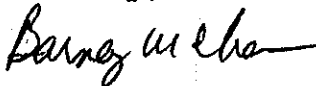
You should consider this a formal request for technical reports pursuant to the California Water Code Section 13267 (b). All workplans, analytical results or reports should be sent to our office and to that of the RWQCB to the attention of Mr. Rich Hiett. Their address is 2101 Webster St., Suite 500, Oakland CA 94612. Be aware that failure to submit the requested document may subject you to civil liabilities.

In addition, failure to perform the required remediation may be considered the improper closure of underground tanks. Note that Section 25299 (5) of the California Health and Safety Code, Division 20, Chapter 6.7 allows for the civil penalty of not less than \$500 or no more than \$5000 for each underground tank for each day the the operator or owner fails to properly close an underground tank as required by Section 25298.

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Please be advised that the oversight of this case has been transferred to Ms. Susan Hugo, Senior Hazardous Materials Specialist, of this office. She may be contacted at (510) 271-4350 should you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Barney M. Chan
Hazardous Materials Specialist

enclosures- Mr. Stenstrom only

cc: G. Jensen, Alameda County District Attorney Office
R. Hiett, RWQCB
J. Gallo, 3050 55th Ave., Oakland CA 94605
S. Hugo
E. Howell, files

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April 17, 1990

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH
Hazardous Materials Program
80 Swan Way, Rm. 200
Oakland, CA 94621
(415)

Mr. Thomas Stenstrom
Kinder Co., a General Partnership
P.O. Box 13304, Station E
Oakland, CA 94661

Re: Forms for Underground Tank Removal

Dear Mr. Stenstrom:

Enclosed please find the required forms for the removal of underground tanks at 2560 E. 14th, Oakland, Tri City Cleaners, per your letter of request dated April 4, 1990. You may contact me at 271-4320 should you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Ariu Levi,
Senior Hazardous Materials Specialist

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cc: Gil Jensen, Alameda County District Attorney, Consumer and
Environmental Protection Agency
Lester Feldman, RWQCB
Rafat Shahid, Asst. Agency Director, Division of Environmental
Health

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May 24, 1989

Certified Mail #P 833 981 431

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH
Hazardous Materials Program
80 Swan Way, Rm. 200
Oakland, CA 94621
(415)

Mr. Joe Gallo
Tri-City Cleaning Plant
2560 E. 14th Street
Oakland, CA 94601

Re: Notice of violation

Dear Mr. Gallo:

An inspection of your facility at 2560 E. 14th Street in Oakland was made by this office May 23, 1989. Because of your reluctance to provide requested documents the inspection could not be completed. The intent of this inspection was to evaluate your degree of compliance with California Hazardous Waste Control Laws.

California Health and Safety Code (CHSC), Section 25195, states, it is a misdemeanor for any person to willfully prevent, interfere with, or attempt to impede in any way the work of any duly authorized representative of the department in the lawful enforcement of any provision of this chapter.

CHSC, Section 25185, states, In order to carry out the purposes of this chapter, any duly authorized representative .. of the local health officer may at any reasonable hour of the day...enter and inspect a factory, plant, construction site...inspect and copy any records, reports, test results, or other information required to carry out this chapter.

On August 7, 1986, your facility was inspected by this office. Several violations of the California Health and Safety Code (CHSC) were noted by Hazardous Materials Specialist, Tom Peacock. Two underground tanks were found that were not permitted. Your facility was also informed that waste dry cleaning solvent must be treated as hazardous waste, and the disposal such waste must be under manifest. To date, your facility has failed to submit applications for underground tank permits.

During the current inspection your facility was requested to show documentation that verified your compliance with California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 23, requirements for monitoring of existing underground tanks. A copy of the last two waste disposal manifests were also requested. An attempt was made by the inspecting Specialist, Mr. Ariu Levi, to discuss the involved laws and regulations with your facility. No interest was shown. Copies of the inspection report, underground tank permit applications, Business Response Form, and receipt form for accepting the Business Response Plan were left. An attempt to have the forms signed was met with refusal.

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CHSC, Section 25299 (a) (1&5), states, Any operator of an underground storage tank is liable for a civil penalty of not less than five hundred dollars (\$500) or more than five thousand dollars (\$5,000) per day for any of the following:

- 1. Operates an underground tank which has not been issued a permit.
- 5. Fails to properly close an underground tank.

CHSC, Section 25299 (b) (1,3), states, any owner of an underground tank is liable for a civil penalty of not less than five hundred dollars (\$500) or more than five thousand dollars (\$5,000) per day for any of the following:

- 1. Failure to obtain a permit...
- 3. Abandonment or improper closure of any underground tank...

CHSC, Section 25503.5(a), states, any business...which handles a hazardous material or a mixture containing a hazardous material which has a quantity at any one time during the reporting year equal to, or greater than, a total weight of 500 pounds, or a total volume of 55 gallons, or 200 cubic feet... shall establish and implement a business plan for emergency response ...

CHSC, Section 25189(c), states, any person who intentionally disposes or causes the disposal of any hazardous or extremely hazardous waste at a point which is not authorized according to the provisions of this chapter shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than one thousand dollars (\$1,000) or more than twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000) for each violation...

You are requested to respond to the above noted violations within fifteen (15) days from the above letter date. Your response must, in part, include the above noted manifests and documentation. Failure to respond within the specified time period will result in legal and/or civil penalties.

If you have any questions concerning the contents of this letter or the status of this case please contact Hazardous Materials Specialist, Ariu Levi. Mr. Levi can be reached at 415-271-4320.

Sincerely,

Rafat Shahid

Rafat Shahid, Chief
Hazardous Materials Program

cc:

Gil Jensen, Alameda County District Attorney, Consumer and Environmental Protection

Lisa McCann, RWQCB

Alan Whitman, Oakland Police Department