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February 16, 1995

Mr. Thomas Echols
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Oakland, CA 94607

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DEPT. OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIV.
1131 HARBOR BAY PKWY., #250
ALAMEDA CA 94502-6577

RE: Workplan Approval for 1345-1375 Grand Ave, Piedmont 94610

Dear Mr. Echols:

I have completed review of Subsurface Consultants, Inc's (SCI) February 1995 Workplan for Groundwater Contamination Assessment for the above referenced site. The proposal to install three temporary wells and collect soil and grab groundwater samples is acceptable. Since SCI believes groundwater flows in the southerly direction beneath this site, the well proposed in the northeast corner of the property should be relocated so it is south of the former tank complex (and as agreed, it will be moved to the other side of the office building).

Be advised, if groundwater contamination is detected, permanent monitoring wells may be required. Field work is planned for February 23, 1995. Please notify me of any changes in this schedule. If you have any questions, I can be reached at (510) 567-6762.

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Hazardous Materials Specialist

cc: Patrick Ellwood, Grand Ave Development, 1345 Grand Ave.
Piedmont, CA 94610
Larry Blazer, Alameda County District Attorney's Office
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April 8, 1994

Mr. Patrick Ellwood
Grand Ave Development
1345 Grand Ave
Piedmont, CA 94610

Subject: SWI for 1345-1375 Grand Ave, Piedmont, CA 94610

Dear Mr. Ellwood:

On February 18, 1993, this agency requested a Soil and Water Investigation work plan to evaluate groundwater quality beneath the above referenced site. This office concurred with the Alameda County District Attorney's Office that the use of a "power core" or "hydropunch" to obtain groundwater grab samples would be acceptable for this investigation. To date, we have received no communication from you regarding this matter.

According to Section 25298 of the California Health and Safety Code, underground storage tank closure is incomplete until the responsible party characterizes and remediates the contamination resulting from product discharge. Therefore, you, as the responsible party are in violation of this section of the Code, for which Section 25299 specifies civil penalties of up to \$5,000, for each day of violation, upon conviction. Also, failure to furnish technical reports regarding documented or potential groundwater contamination violates Section 13267(b) of the California Water Code. The Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) can impose civil penalties of up to \$1,000 per day that such a violation continues.

You are required to submit the requested workplan to this office by **May 10, 1994**. Modification of required tasks or extensions of stated deadlines must be confirmed in writing by either this agency or the RWQCB.

Should you have any questions about the content of this letter, please contact me at (510) 271-4530.

Sincerely,

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Hazardous Materials Specialist

cc: Larry Blazer, Alameda County District Attorney's Office
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February 18, 1993

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Subject: SWI for 1345-1375 Grand Ave., Piedmont, CA 94610

Dear Mr. Ellwood:

This office has completed review of the file for the above referenced site. In May 1986 work began to remove four underground storage tanks (USTs) from each of the above sites. A water sample taken from the easternmost pit at 1375 Grand Ave exhibited 14 parts per million (ppm) total petroleum hydrocarbons as gasoline (TPH-G) and 580 parts per billion (ppb) as benzene. An initial soil sample taken from native soil beneath the waste oil UST at 1345 Grand Ave exhibited up to 3,000 ppm waste oil. This pit was subsequently over-excavated where confirmatory soil sample collected was non-detectable for waste oil.

Clearly an unauthorized release of petroleum products has occurred at the site. At this time further investigations are required to determine the lateral and vertical extent, and severity of contamination to soil and groundwater which may have resulted from the release.

Such an investigation shall be in the form of a **Soil and Water Investigation**, or SWI. The information gathered by the SWI will be used to determine an appropriate course of action to remediate the site, if deemed necessary. The SWI must be conducted in accordance with the RWQCB Staff Recommendations for the Initial Evaluation and Investigation of Underground Tanks, the State Water Resources Control Board LUFT Field Manual, and Article 11 of Title 23, California Code of Regulations. The major elements of such an investigation are summarized in the attached Appendix A.

The SWI proposal is due within 45 days of the date of this letter. Once the proposal is approved, field work should commence within 60 days. A report must be submitted within 45 days after the completion of this phase of work at the site. Subsequent reports are to be submitted quarterly until this site qualifies for RWQCB "sign off." All reports and proposals must be submitted under seal of a California Registered Geologist, Certified Engineering Geologist, or Registered Civil Engineer.

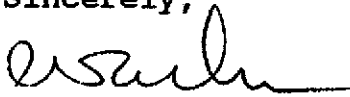
P. Ellwood
1345-1375 Grand Ave., Piedmont
February 18, 1993

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Please be advised that this is a formal request for technical reports pursuant to Title 23, CCR, Section 2722(c). Any extensions of the stated deadlines, or modifications of the required tasks, must be confirmed in writing by either this agency or the RWQCB. Copies of all proposals and reports must also be sent to Mr. Richard Hiatt of the RWQCB.

Should you have any questions about the content of this letter, please contact me at (510) 271-4530.

Sincerely,



Eva Chu
Hazardous Materials Specialist

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cc: Rich Hiatt, RWQCB
Gil Jensen, Alameda County District Attorney's Office
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