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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

September 27, 1993  
STID 1132

East Bay Ford Truck Sales, Inc.  
ATTN: Thomas Harezlak  
333 Filbert St.  
Oakland, CA 94607

RE: 333 Filbert St., Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Thomas Harezlak:

This office has received a your letter questioning the billing which you received from the State Water Resources Control Board for 1992. I have attached an itemized summary of activities by date and amount which should better explain to you what was done. I shall attempt to answer each of your comments:

1. Unfortunately, we did not have enough staff in 1988 to aggressively require that you do all the needed work then. We are only now getting to many other cases like yours. The law actually required that you do the same work on your own but it is not our intention to have you prosecuted for not taking action at that time.
2. The attached listing should answer this question.
3. If you would like more detail than the brief that we enter, you are welcome to come review your case file.
4. A Notice of Requirement to Reimburse was sent on March 9, 1992. Since then there has been some change of Responsible Parties, requiring additional notices. Attached is a status sheet of your case. You, however, have been a more recent contact in 1993, but are not a responsible party.
5. Fortunately, we are not required to get your permission or inform you ahead of time for our charges. This would be far more bureaucracy for us and more expensive for you as we must be able to recover our time. If you examine the sheet, most of these charges are for small bits of time and to consultants or parties other than you.

Although you may perceive us to have a "blank check", all of our time is open to scrutiny and we cost far less than your consultants or other contractors, who we are regulating. Although you would like to budget ahead of time, I am sure you don't want yet another requirement placed upon our heavily

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regulated office, at your expense.

If you have any questions, please contact this office at (510)  
271-4530.

Sincerely,



Thomas Peacock, Supervising HMS  
Hazardous Material Division

cc: Edgar Howell, Chief - files  
Lori Casias, SWRCB

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November 17, 1992

STID 1132

East Bay Ford Truck Sales, Inc.  
PO Box 2098  
Oakland CA 94604  
Attn: Tom Harezlak

RE: 333 Filbert St.  
Oakland CA 94607

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

Dear Mr. Harezlak,

We have received your letter dated 11/2/92, requesting written confirmation of our receipt of the Quarterly Groundwater Monitoring Report, prepared by Kinney Consulting Engineers. This report, dated 10/22/92, was indeed received in our office on 10/26/92.

According to the quarterly report, groundwater was sampled on 10/5/92. Water samples were "nondetect" for petroleum hydrocarbons and solvents, lead and cadmium. Results for chromium, nickel, and zinc were below the Soluble Threshold Limit Concentrations (STLCs); results for chromium and zinc were below the current Maximum Contaminant Levels (MCLs); no MCL has been established for nickel.

You also requested a meeting to discuss case closure in your letter dated 11/2/92. As was previously explained in a letter from this office copied to Roger Ericson, dated 6/3/92, RWQCB policy is that case closure is based on four consecutive quarters of nondetectable concentrations of analytes. If you still wish to meet with us, this can be arranged. If you have any questions, please contact me at 510-271-4530.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Eberle  
Hazardous Materials Specialist

cc: Marvin Kinney, Kinney Consulting Engineers, 940 Adams St.,  
Suite S, Benicia CA 94510  
Wilburn Harper & M. Delores trust, PO Box 6006, Dearborn MI  
48121  
Rich Hiatt, RWQCB  
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August 26, 1992

STID 1132

Roger Erickson  
East Bay Ford Truck Sales, Inc.  
333 Filbert St.  
Oakland CA 94607

Dear Mr. Erickson,

This letter is being sent to document a telephone conversation between yourself and J. Eberle of this office on 8/26/92 regarding the quarterly groundwater monitoring report prepared by Douglas Scott of NG Chemical Inc. dated 8/11/92. As discussed, this report is deficient in the following ways:

- 1) It was not submitted under seal of a California-Registered Geologist, -Certified Engineering Geologist, or -Registered Civil Engineer.
- 2) The groundwater flow direction was not determined. Since the direction of groundwater flow can fluctuate, it is important to measure groundwater elevations **at the same time** as the quarterly groundwater sampling and analysis. This information reveals whether the well was downgradient of the former tank at the time the groundwater was sampled, as well as whether groundwater flow direction is consistent.

You were given permission by Dennis Byrne of this office to install one monitoring well since your neighbor, Aratex Services, has three wells from which the direction of groundwater flow could be ascertained. If the distance between the Aratex wells and your well is great, then elevations of all four wells should be measured. This can be discussed between your consultant and J. Eberle of this office.

- 3) There was no site map showing the location of the former waste oil tank in relation to the monitoring well and at least two cross streets.
- 4) Data for groundwater elevations and concentrations of contaminants in groundwater was not presented in tabular form.

Therefore, you are requested to submit this information to J. Eberle of this office **within 60 days** or by **October 26, 1992**.

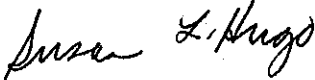
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All proposals, reports, and analytical results pertaining to this investigation and remediation must be sent both to our office and to:

Rich Hiett  
RWQCB, San Francisco Bay Region  
2101 Webster St., Suite 500  
Oakland CA 94612

If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Eberle at 510-271-4320.

Sincerely,



Susan Hugo  
Senior Hazardous Materials Specialist

cc: Wilburn Harper & M. Delores Trust, PO Box 6006, Dearborn MI  
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D. Scott, NG Chemical, 1495 Industrial Av., San Jose CA  
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Rich Hiett, RWQCB  
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August 5, 1992

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Wilburn Harper & M. Delores Trust  
PO Box 6006  
Dearborn MI 48121

RE: East Bay Ford Truck Sales, Inc.  
333 Filbert St.  
Oakland CA 94607

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH  
Hazardous Materials Division  
80 Swan Way, Rm. 200  
Oakland, CA 94621  
(510) 271-4320

To Whom it Concerns,

This letter is a follow-up to our letter dated 6/3/92, also sent certified, and received in your office. We have not heard from neither your representative nor your consultant, regarding further groundwater sampling, as required in our letter dated 6/3/92. Since NG Chemical was your past consultant, telephone calls were placed to their office in late July, under the assumption that they are your presently contracted by you. The calls were not returned.

Therefore, we are requesting that you (or your consultant) contact Jennifer Eberle, Hazardous Materials Specialist, of this office for an update on this site within 30 days of the date of this letter, or by September 5, 1992.

If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Eberle at 510-271-4320.

Sincerely,

Susan Hugo  
Senior Hazardous Materials Specialist

cc: Douglas Scott, NG Chemical, Inc. North, 1495 Industrial Ave.,  
San Jose CA 95112  
Roger Ericson/Tom Harezlak, East Bay Ford Truck Sales, Inc.,  
333 Filbert St., Oakland CA 94607  
Rich Hiatt, RWQCB  
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RAFAT A. SHAHID, Assistant Agency Director

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June 3, 1992

STID 1132

Wilburn Harper & M. Delores Trust  
PO Box 6006  
Dearborn MI 48121

RE: East Bay Ford Truck Sales, Inc.  
333 Filbert St.  
Oakland CA 94607

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH  
Hazardous Materials Division  
80 Swan Way, Rm. 200  
Oakland, CA 94621  
(510) 271-4320

To Whom it Concerns,

The case file for the above referenced site has been reassigned to Jennifer Eberle, Hazardous Materials Specialist. Please forward future correspondence to her attention.

We are in receipt of several documents hand-delivered to our office, presumably by Douglas Scott of NG Chemical. These documents include a letter to Roger Ericson of East Bay Ford Truck Sales from Douglas Scott (no date, unsigned); Hazardous Waste Manifests for a total of 108 cubic yards of soil contaminated with waste oil which was apparently removed from the site and disposed at Casmalia Resources; laboratory analyses from the apparent resampling of the overexcavated tank pit; and a Technical Report for Groundwater Monitoring Well Installation, prepared by Safety Specialist, Inc., dated 10/19/90.

These documents satisfy the three requests in our letter dated 4/23/92. It was noted that groundwater was sampled on 10/2/90, and the laboratory results indicated nondetectable concentrations of cadmium, chromium, lead, nickel, TPH-diesel, Volatile Organic Compounds, and Oil & Grease. Zinc was encountered at 0.01 mg/L, a low concentration.

The recommendation in the Technical Report indicated a formal request for case closure. RWQCB policy is that case closure is based on **four consecutive quarters** of nondetectable concentrations of analytes. Therefore, in the interest of closing this case, we request that you resume sampling the groundwater well for **at least four more consecutive quarters**. A state-certified laboratory must be utilized for this purpose. Waste oil constituents shall be sampled, as specified in Table 2 of the Tri-Regional Board Staff Recommendations for Preliminary Evaluation and Investigation of Underground Storage Tank Sites, revised 8/10/90. We expect that you begin groundwater sampling **within 45 days** of the date of this letter, or **by July 18, 1992**. If this schedule presents a problem, please inform us as soon as possible.

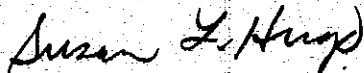
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Please submit quarterly reports including laboratory results from the groundwater sampling both to this office and to

Rich Hiatt  
RWQCB, San Francisco Bay Region  
2101 Webster St., Suite 500  
Oakland CA 94612

If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Eberle at 510-271-4320.

Sincerely,



Susan Hugo  
Senior Hazardous Materials Specialist

cc: Douglas Scott, NG Chemical, Inc. North, 1495 Industrial Ave.,  
San Jose CA 95112  
Roger Ericson, East Bay Ford Truck Sales, Inc., 333 Filbert  
St., Oakland CA 94607  
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April 23, 1992

STID #1132

R.W. Johnston and Son  
801-53rd St.  
Oakland CA 94608  
Attn: George Johnston

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH  
Hazardous Materials Division  
80 Swan Way, Rm. 200  
Oakland, CA 94621  
(510) 271-4320

RE: East Bay Ford Truck Sales, Inc.  
333 Filbert St.  
Oakland CA 94607

Dear Mr. Johnston,

The case file for the above referenced site has recently been reviewed by our staff. The case has been reassigned to Jennifer Eberle, Hazardous Materials Specialist. Please mail future correspondence to her attention.

A 550-gallon waste oil underground storage tank (UST) was removed from the site on 8/1/88. Subsequent soil sampling revealed up to 49,000 ppm oil and grease (O & G), 190 ppm TPH as gasoline, and 0.55 ppm benzene.

In a letter dated 10/17/88, this office required a) removal and proper disposal of soil contaminated with TPH or O & G in excess of 1,000 ppm, and b) a monitoring well within 10 feet of the verified downgradient of the former UST.

A "Remedial Investigation Report" prepared by NG Chemical Inc. was submitted to our office on 1/4/89. This report proposed one monitoring well southwest of the former UST. No mention of groundwater gradient was made; therefore, the basis for the placement of the well is unknown. Three monitoring wells set in a triangular fashion is the usual method for determining groundwater gradient, according to RWQCB guidelines. In addition, the report makes no mention of the status of the contaminated soil.

Therefore, you are directed to submit a proposal within 45 days from the date of this letter, or by June 8th, for a groundwater and soil investigation which includes:

- o the removal and proper disposal of soil contaminated with TPH or O & G in excess of 1,000 ppm;
- o confirmatory soil samples in the over-excavated former UST pit; and

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- o the placement of a monitoring well within 10 feet of the verified downgradient of the former UST.

Soil and groundwater samples must be sampled for TPH-g, TPH-d, O & G, BTEX, chlorinated hydrocarbons, Cd, Cr, Pb, Zn, Ni, PCBs, PCP, PNA, and creosote according to established EPA methods.

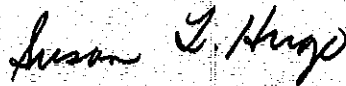
All work must be performed according to the Leaking Underground Fuel Tank Field Manual, (LUFT Manual), revised 10/89, and the Tri-Regional Board Staff Recommendations for Preliminary Evaluation and Investigation of Underground Storage Tank Sites, revised 8/10/90, as summarized in Appendix A.

Copies of these documents can be obtained by calling the SFRWQCB data management group at 510-464-1269.

All 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 phone Jennifer Eberle at 510-271-4320.

Sincerely,



Susan Hugo  
Senior Hazardous Materials Specialist

cc: Roger Erickson, (East Bay Ford Truck Sales, Inc., 333 Filbert St., Oakland CA 94607)  
Bob Tucker, (NG Chemical, Inc., 2260 Mahoney Rd., Santa Maria CA 93455)  
Rich Hiatt, RWQCB  
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September 19, 1990

Bob Holden  
East Bay Ford Truck Sales, Inc  
333 Filbert St.  
Oakland, CA 94607

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

**Re: Waste Minimization Assessment**

Dear Bob Holden:

Your business has been selected to receive a hazardous waste minimization assessment. As you are probably aware, hazardous waste reduction has become a statewide, if not a national, issue. To address this issue at a county level, Alameda County is establishing its own Hazardous Waste Minimization Program and is planning to conduct waste minimization assessments for all hazardous waste generating facilities in the County.

We have chosen businesses in the auto repair industry to receive the first round of waste minimization assessments. It is our hope that these assessments will assist participating businesses in minimizing their hazardous wastes - and will give us further information on the best way to structure our minimization program.

One of our Hazardous Materials Specialists will be contacting you during the week of September 24 to arrange a meeting with you for an assessment of your business. During this meeting and assessment, the Specialist will work with you in examining your business's hazardous waste generating practices. The Specialist will then provide you with materials on waste reduction technology and assist you in setting up appropriate hazardous waste minimization practices.

We look forward to working with you in reducing the amount of hazardous waste your business generates. Of course, your comments and suggestions are encouraged; we need your input in order to best serve you! Please direct any comments and questions to Katherine Chesick at 415/271-4320.

Sincerely,

Edgar B. Howell, Chief,  
Alameda County Hazardous Materials Division

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cc: Fire Department  
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Department of Environmental Health  
Hazardous Materials Division  
80 Swan Way, Room 200  
Oakland, CA 94621

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Telephone Number: (415) 271-4320

17 October, 1988

George Johnson  
R.W. Johnson and Son  
801 53rd Ave.  
Oakland, Ca. 94601

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Thank you for the analytical data submitted to this office concerning the underground storage tank removal conducted on August 1, 1988, at East Bay Ford, 333 Filbert Street in Oakland. A review of the data indicates that soil contamination exceeding the standard set by the State of California was encountered.

An Underground Storage Tank Unauthorized Release Report must be submitted whenever soil contamination in reference to the operation of an underground storage tank is discovered. A blank copy of this form is enclosed for your use. Please complete this document and return it to our office as soon as possible.

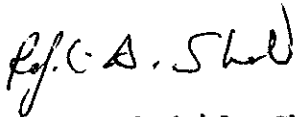
A soil contaminated with Total Oil and Grease which reaches or exceeds 1000 parts per million is classified as a hazardous waste material and must be removed from the tank excavation for proper disposal. Further soil analysis will be required at this site to ensure that all such heavily contaminated soil has been removed. A copy of the hazardous waste manifest documenting the quantity of soil disposed of must be submitted to this office.

Some follow-up action will be required to determine the extent of soil contamination at this site. Guidelines established by the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board stipulate that a monitoring well must be sunk within ten feet of the underground tank location to a depth of fifteen feet below initial ground water. This well is to be located in a downgradient direction relative to ground water flow. Guidelines specify that three wells must be used to determine ground water flow direction. During the well drilling, soil samples must be collected for analysis at five foot depth intervals. This operation must be supervised by a registered engineer/geologist and the boring logs and analytical data must be submitted to this office.

George Johnson  
R. W. Johnson and Son  
801 53rd Ave  
Oakland, Ca. 94601  
17 October, 1988  
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If you have any questions or require further clarification concerning the soil mitigation measures necessary to address this underground tank removal project, please contact, Dennis Byrne, Hazardous Materials Specialist, at (415)271-4320.

Sincerely,



Rafat A. Shahid, Chief,  
Hazardous Materials Division

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cc: Dwight Hoening, DOHS  
Lisa McCann, RWQCB  
East Bay Ford, 333 Filbert St.  
Oakland Ca. 94607