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August 18, 2004

Mr. Nicholas DiFranco Praxair Inc. P.O. Box 237 Keasbey, NJ 08832

Dear Mr. DiFranco:

Subject: TOXICS Case RO0002462, Praxair, 901 Embarcadero, Oakland,

CA, 94606

Our records indicate that the current balance on the above-referenced TOXICS oversight account is -\$3396.70. In order to continue to provide regulatory oversight we are requesting the submittal of a check made payable to Alameda County Environmental Health in the amount of \$6000.00. Please send your check to the attention of our Finance Department.

This initial deposit may or may not be sufficient to provide all necessary regulatory oversight. ACEH will deduct actual costs incurred based upon the hourly rate specified below. If these funds are insufficient, additional deposit will be requested. Otherwise, any unused monies will be refunded to you or your designee.

The deposit is authorized in Section 6.92.040L of the Alameda County Ordinance Code. Work on this project is being debited at the Ordinance specified rate, currently \$160.00 per hour.

Please write "TOXICS" (the type of project), the site address and the AR# 0306021 on your check.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (510) 567-6862.

Sincerely,

Division Chief

cc: D. Drogos, B. Chan

Ms. M. Durant, Kennedy/Jenks Consultants, 622 Folsom St., San Francisco, CA 94107

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November 25, 2002

Mr. Nicholas DiFranco P.O. Box 237 Keasbey, NJ 08832

Dear Mr. DiFranco:

Subject: Environmental Investigation at 901 Embarcadero, Oakland CA 94606, Former Liquid Carbonic

Alameda County Environmental Health staff have received and reviewed the September 20, 2002 Work Plan for Soil Remediation and Additional Characterization and the November 13, 2002 summary report prepared by Kennedy/Jenks Consultants. This work plan further investigates areas of concern at the site following up the May 2001 initial investigation. Areas are designated for excavation and re-sampling and for groundwater characterization. I have corresponded with your consultant and concur with the work plan with the following comments:

- Our office does not see the need to do additional investigation near KB-4, the former hydraulic lift.
- Groundwater will be analyzed for acetone, if there is evidence of soil contamination within the former acetone drum storage area.
- Please notify our office prior to performing the proposed work

You may contact me at (510) 567-6765 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Barney M. Chan

Hazardous Materials Specialist

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Mr. Nicholas DiFranco Manager, Environmental Affairs Praxair, Inc. P.O. Box 237 Keasbey, NJ 08832

Re: Environmental Site Investigation at 901 Embarcadero, Oakland CA 94606

Our office has received your deposit for Alameda County oversight costs associated with the above referenced site. I have reviewed the Phase I Environmental Site Assessment prepared by Kennedy/Jenks Consultants in addition to other site history and agency reports provided by the Port of Oakland. As you are aware, these reports indicate a long list of environmental issues that are recommended for further investigation. These issues include potential areas of soil and groundwater contamination in addition to recommendations for obtaining required permits, repairing equipment, and changing operation, storage and handling practices. It is advised that you work with the other regulatory agencies to obtain complete environmental compliance.

Our office requests a work plan be submitted to address all items mentioned in the Kennedy/Jenks report. You may choose to meet with our office to discuss any specific elements of your work plan prior to submission. Please contact our office within 30 days and notify us in writing of your intention to address the environmental clean-up issues.

You may contact me at (510) 567-6765 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Hazardous Materials Specialist

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Mr. M. Rodgers, Alliance Gas Products, 901 Embarcadero, Oakland 94606-5120

Mr. D. Herman, Port of Oakland EH&SC, P.O. Box 2064, Oakland CA 94604-2064

Mr. L. Griffin, City of Oakland Fire Services, 1605 MLK Jr. Dr., Oakland CA 94612

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Re: Environmental Site Investigation at 901 Embarcadero, Oakland CA 94606

#### Dear Gentlemen:

Our office has been requested by the City of Oakland Fire Services Agency to oversee the site investigation and remediation of the above site per written authorization from Mr. Leroy Griffin, Inspections Program Manager. Because of the anticipated impact of surface releases at the site to groundwater, our office must also obtain concurrence with the San Francisco Regional Water Quality Control Board (SFRWQCB) to act as their agent in overseeing this site. Our office has contacted the SFRWQCB and it appears that they do not have any on-going clean-up orders on this site. With the condition that the Water Board does not any objection with Alameda County Environmental Health's oversight, our office will act in their behalf as lead oversight agency for the site remediation. It also anticipated that other agencies would be involved to help improve general operating practices, which have led to the releases under investigation.

Therefore, in accordance with County Ordinance Code Section 6.92.060 our office requests that a check in the amount of \$3000.00 be submitted to our office to cover anticipated oversight activities. Any unused money will be returned to the depositor at the end of the project. Please remit this deposit to expedite our office's oversight.

You may contact me at (510) 567-6765 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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