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April 11, 1995

Via facsimile

Dick Jones
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Fax 916/372-5615

Steve Muir
WZI
4700 Stockdale Highway, #120
Bakersfield, CA 93389
Fax 805/326-0191

Re: Shell's Draft Unauthorized Release Notification


Dear Mr. Jones and Mr. Muir:

In accordance with the agreement discussed in the March 23, 1995 conference call, Mr. Tintle of Shell Oil has provided our office with a draft copy of Shell's proposed notice to the Regional Water Quality Control Board of the unauthorized release of crude oil on the Schropp property in Byron, California.

Pursuant to the attached cover letter, Mr. Tintle has requested that any modifications to the draft unauthorized release notice be forwarded to his attention by 4:00 p.m. tomorrow, April 12.

Please review the enclosed draft notification and contact our office with any comments or suggestions at your earliest convenience. Thank you for your timely response.

Sincerely yours,


Jan Sutterfield
Legal Assistant

Shell Oil Products Company



P. O. Box 4848
511 N. Brookhurst Street
Anaheim, CA 92803

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

April 6, 1995

Mr. G. S. Garrison
Attorney at Law
Garrison Law Corporation
691 Myrtle Street
Half Moon Bay, CA 94019

Dear Mr. Garrison:

ALAMEDA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA
VALLEY PIPELINES
R/W 2A-323 - SCHROPP RANCH
SOIL CONTAMINATION CLAIM

As agreed, enclosed for your information is a draft copy of Shell's proposed notice to the California Regional Water Quality Control Board advising them of the unauthorized crude oil release on Schropp Ranch property near Byron, California.

Unless we hear from you or your clients within 48 hours of your receipt of this material, the notice will be sent, as is, via U.S. Mail to the Agency.

Very truly yours,

G. F. Tittle
Senior Land Agent

GFT:
Enclosures

Shell Oil Products Company

DRAFTP.O. Box 4848
Anaheim, CA 92803-4848511 N. Brookhurst
Anaheim, CA 92801

April 5, 1995

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RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTEDCalifornia Regional Water Quality Control Board
Central Valley Region
Attn: Mr. Ken Landau
3443 Routier Road
Sacramento, CA 95827-3098

Dear Mr. Ken Landau:

NOTIFICATION OF UNAUTHORIZED HYDROCARBON RELEASE
BYRON, CALIFORNIA

This letter serves to notify your agency of a recently detected unauthorized release of crude oil along an approximately 80-foot section of Shell Oil Company's (Shell) former crude oil pipeline transecting the Schropp Ranch property in Byron, California (Plate 1). PICES Associates (PICES) is currently performing a site investigation for Shell to determine the extent of soil and/or groundwater contamination due to this past release.

To date, 11 soil samples have been collected via trenching (grab sampling) or from a van mounted soil sampler (soil probe) and analyzed in a state-certified laboratory for TRPH (EPA Method 418.1), BTEX (EPA Method 8020), TPH-Gasoline (EPA Method 8015 modified for gasoline), and TPH-Diesel (EPA Method 8015 modified for diesel). A listing of the chemical results is presented in Table 1.

The results of soil sampling and chemical analysis has revealed a very localized area of hydrocarbon contamination along an approximately 80-foot section of Shell's former pipeline right-of-way (Plate 2) that extends from approximately four feet below surface grade (bgs) to groundwater (with evidence of free product). The northern, eastern, and southern extensions of contaminated soil have been defined within the immediate area of the pipeline corridor, however, the western extension of contaminated soil is currently undetermined due to accessibility considerations to the Mountain House School property. Once access requirements have been met, the western extent will be assessed in an additional round of soil samplings.

Mr. Ken Landau
April 5, 1995
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Shell is evaluating various remediation options to address this area of confirmed soil contamination and is in the process of preparing a workplan for proposed remedial actions to submit to the Board in the near future.

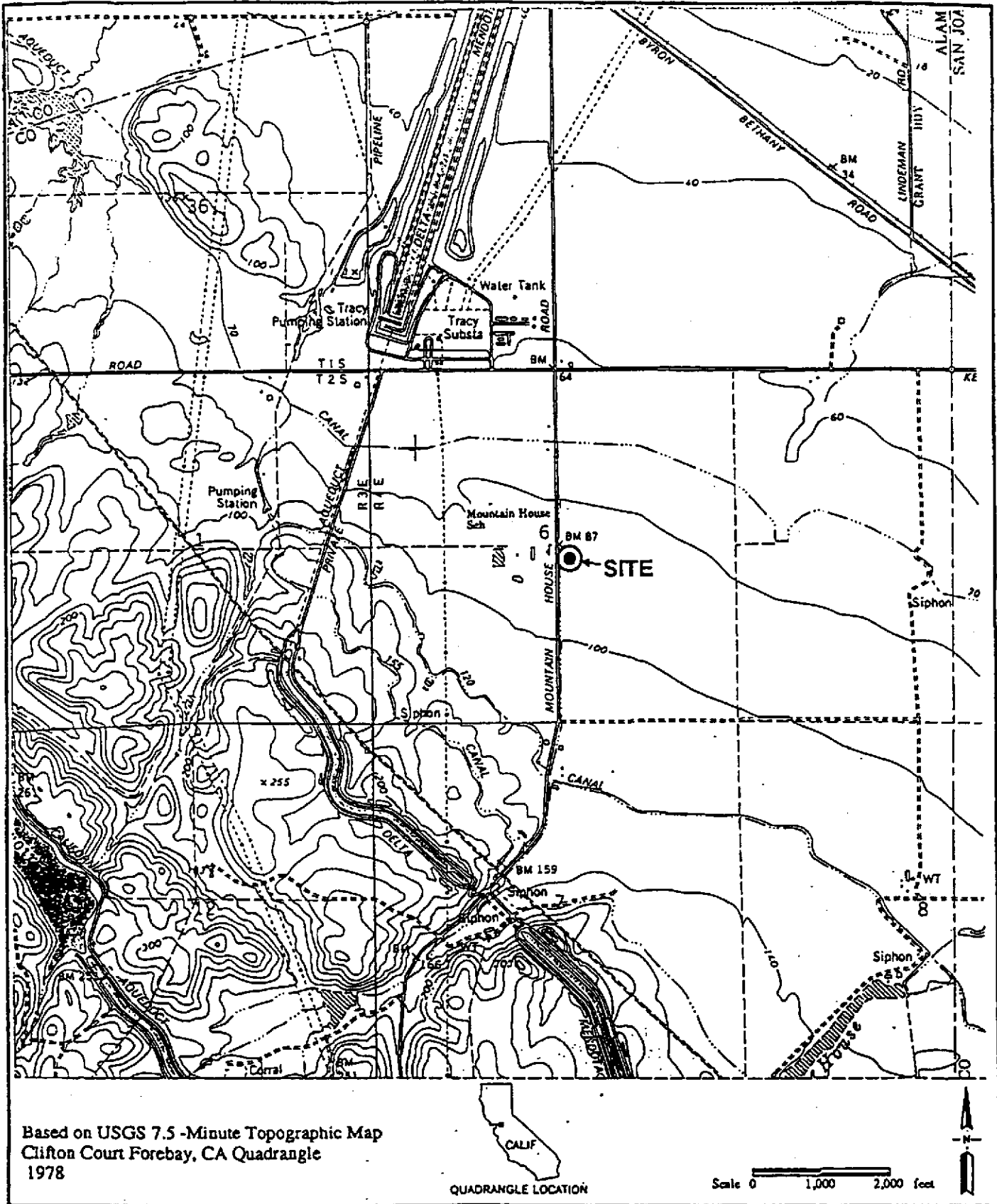
Please address any inquiries regarding this notification to either myself at (714) 520-3374 or to either Mr. Aklile Gessesse or Mr. George Cusimano of PICES Associates at (714) 573-4014.

Sincerely,

C. R. Jordan
Environmental & Technical-West
On Behave of Shell Oil Company

Enclosures Table 1: Results of Soil Chemical Analysis
Plate 1: Vicinity Map
Plate 2: Site Map

cc: Greg Garrison, Garrison Law Corporation
Aklile Gessesse, PICES Associates



Based on USGS 7.5 -Minute Topographic Map
 Clifton Court Forebay, CA Quadrangle
 1978

QUADRANGLE LOCATION

Scale 0 1,000 2,000 feet



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VICINITY MAP
 Schropp Ranch
 Byron, California

PLATE
 1

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PROJECT NUMBER
 405-005

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TABLE 1: RESULTS OF SOIL CHEMICAL ANALYSIS

Schropp Ranch
Mountain House Road
Byron, CA
Project Number: 405-005

Sample No.	Date of Collection	Depth (ft. bgs)*	Benzene	EPA Method 8020			EPA Methods†		418.1 TRPH
				Toluene	Ethybenzene	Total Xylenes	8015 Mod-G TPH-G	8015 Mod-D TPH-D	
GB-1	Oct 11	7	ND	ND	0.030	ND	ND	4781	842
GB-2	Oct 11	8	ND	ND	0.020	ND	ND	3457	1599
GB-3	Oct 11	7	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	3137	579
GB-4	Oct 11	8	ND	ND	ND	ND	12	6917	2362
GB-5	Oct 11	8	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	854	97
SB-1	Nov 17	16-18	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
SB-2	Nov 17	14-16	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
SB-3	Nov 17	17-19	ND	0.165	0.598	ND	159	1258	216
SB-4	Nov 17	18-20	ND	0.377	3.338	1.309	433	4632	ND
SB-5	Nov 17	16-18	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
SB-6	Nov 17	16-18	ND	0.224	1.009	0.835	90	958	340

Note:

TPH-G 8015 Mod-G = Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons - EPA Method 8015 modified for gasoline

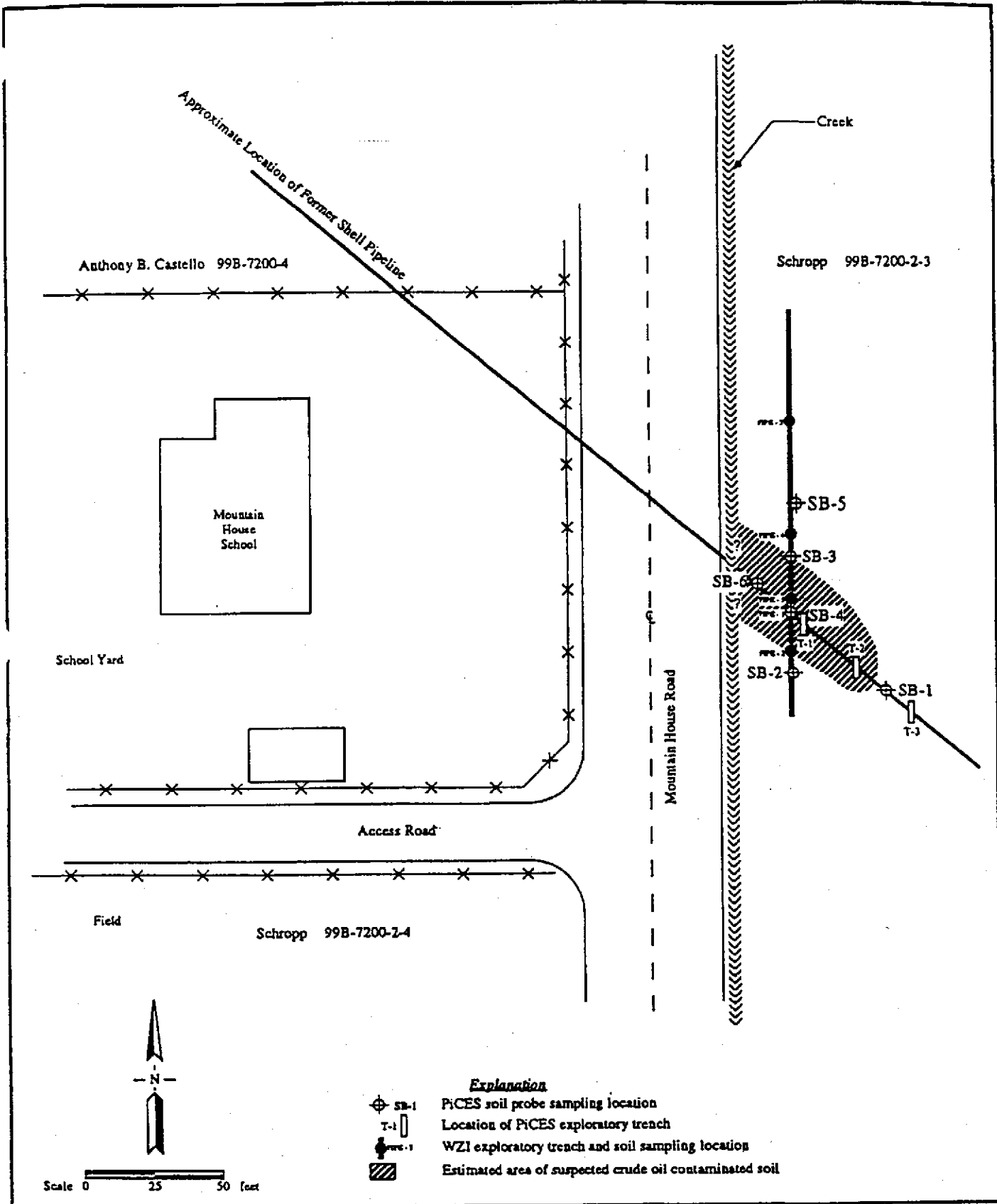
TPH-D 8015 Mod-D = Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons - EPA Method 8015 modified for diesel

TRPH 418.1 = Total Recoverable Petroleum Hydrocarbons - EPA Method 418.1 Oil and grease

* bgs = below grade surface

All results in ppm by weight (mg/kg)

ND denotes Not Detected at the limit of quantitation



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SITE MAP
 Agricultural Industries Inc. (Schropp Ranch)
 Mountain House Road
 Byron, California

PLATE
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