

Wickham, Jerry, Env. Health

From: Mark Johnson [MJohnson@waterboards.ca.gov]
Sent: Monday, August 01, 2005 11:12 AM
To: Wickham, Jerry, Env. Health
Cc: Stephen Hill
Subject: Re: Oversight of UST at Hexcel

Jerry

This sounds reasonable to me. I have no problem tying it all together.

Mark

>>> "Wickham, Jerry, Env. Health" <jerry.wickham@acgov.org> 07/28/05
>>> 04:10PM >>>

Mark,

The Alameda County Environmental Health Local Oversight Program has an open case for a former tank near Building 77 at the Hexcel Facility, 75 North Mines Road, Livermore, CA. When the tank was removed in August, 2003, a one inch hole was observed in the bottom of the tank.

Overexcavation of soil was conducted within the tank pit to a depth of 3.5 feet but was halted to prevent damage to the building foundation. Oil, odor, and staining was observed in soils in the bottom of the overexcavation and beneath pipes that extend beneath the building foundation. Soil samples from the excavation detected TPH as diesel and oil and grease at elevated concentrations. In addition, the soil sample collected under pipes extending beneath the building also contained 320 micrograms per kilogram of trichloroethene.

Because the Water Board has been extensively involved in oversight of soil and water quality issues at the Hexcel facility and the Water Board will continue to have some oversight role for the facility, it would be more efficient to consolidate oversight for the former tank with other issues under one regulatory agency. Therefore, we recommend that the Water Board oversee the sampling and cleanup activities for the former tank near Building 77. Based on our discussion today, it may be most cost effective to conduct cleanup of contaminated soils beneath the building during the planned facility demolition. If the above is agreeable, I will put this in a formal letter to you.

Regards,

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