

ALAMEDA COUNTY  
HEALTH CARE SERVICES



AGENCY  
DAVID J. KEARS, Agency Director

RO# 2695

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Mr. Joe Iovino  
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Ref: Supergen, 6450 Hollis Street, Emeryville, CA - 94608

Dear Mr. Iovino:

I am in receipt of the documents, a letter dated September 22, 1997, from DECON Environmental, and a letter dated September 16, 1997, from Supergen, sent in response to information requested by this Department.

This Department reviewed all the pertinent information in the process of evaluating the site for closure. According to the information submitted, supergen had leased this facility to support research and development of their products. The facility had used 40 different chemical out of which mitomycin comprised nearly 75% of the inventory and was identified to be the most toxic of the chemicals.

In May and June 1997, DECON environmental performed decontamination of the site which included, removal of waste, exhaust ducts etc, cleaning of the laboratory area using vacuum equipped with HEPA filter followed by chemical decontamination and biological sterilization. According to DECON, since all the chemicals were organic in nature, the solution of sodium hypochlorite used for decontamination, was an appropriate cleaning agent for all the chemicals used in the referenced facility. Subsequent to cleaning, wipe samples were collected from the areas most likely to be exposed to high levels of contamination and analyzed for mitomycin. The laboratory results did not identify the presence of mitomycin in significant concentrations.

Based upon the available information, including current land use, and with the provision that the information provided to this agency was accurate and representative of site conditions, no further action is required on the referenced property.

If you have any questions, you can contact me at (510) 567-6764

Sincerely,  
  
Madhulla Logan  
Hazardous Material Specialist

C: William Basett, DECON, 23490 Connecticut St, Hayward, CA 94545.