

ALAMEDA COUNTY  
HEALTH CARE SERVICES



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**Ref: 6450 Hollis Street, Emeryville, CA - 94608**

Dear Mr. Iovino:

I am in receipt of the documents, "*Report on Mitomycin residues following decontamination*", dated July 10, 1997, *the Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) for Mitomycin*, and "*Report of Facility Decontamination Services*", dated August 26, 1997 prepared by Decon Environmental Services for the above referenced site.

This Department reviewed all the pertinent information in the process of evaluating the site for closure. The evaluation was conducted in terms of identifying any health threat to future occupants/workers of the referenced property.

It is mentioned in the reports, that the chemical inventory included 40 chemical products. However, mitomycin which appears to have comprised the majority of the chemical product was the only chemical that was evaluated. This Department is concerned with other pertinent hazardous chemicals being used on site that may have been left out from the evaluation process. There could be chemicals that were used in smaller quantities that are significantly toxic and could pose a health threat. Hence, please submit the following information:

In a table format, include a chemical inventory of all chemicals previously used on the site and the extent to which each of them were being used. Also, include the form in which each of the chemical was used (like in liquid, solid, gaseous form), in what part of the process were they used, and identify any means by which the building could have been contaminated with the chemical (like splash, dust, spray, etc).

Please include a detailed rationale as to why chemicals other than mitomycin were not analyzed in the wipe samples.

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

Sincerely,

  
Madhulla Logan  
Hazardous Material Specialist