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Re: Soil Contamination along a residential property line
between 1150 and 1160 Bennett Court, Fremont, CA 94536

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

Alameda County Environmental Health Department has received and reviewed two reports prepared by your consultant: Results of Soil Sampling and Analysis and Work Plan for Soil Removal at 1160 Bennett Court, both dated December 21, 1995. These reports document the presence of a localized area of soil contamination from Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons (as diesel and motor oil) present on the 1160 Bennett Court side of the fence.

The Work Plan as specified is hereby approved with the following inclusions:

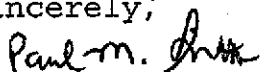
- 1) The Work Plan proposes hand excavation of this contaminated soil and the collection of four confirmation samples to indicate that the affected area has been addressed. Knowing that the waste disposal was perpetrated from the 1150 Bennett Ct. side of the fence; property your company now owns, when collecting confirmatory sampling you are requested to collect at least one sample along the western fence line of the 1150 Bennett Ct. property.
- 2) The Work Plan states that soil disposal characterization samples will be collected and analyzed by the subcontractor handling the soil excavation, transport and disposal. Please provide copies of all appropriate documentation for characterization and disposal of the excavated material. Stockpiled characterization analysis should be for Total Petroleum Hydrocarbon as diesel and motor oil.
- 3) Discuss the storage location and labeling of drummed up soil associated with the project from the time of excavation, profiling and ultimate disposal.
- 4) Please have your consultants keep me posted as to the scheduling of each upcoming phase of work (excavation/confirmatory sampling and waste characterization/disposal) prior to initiating this work.

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After debiting time which I have previously spent on this project from the recent funds you have submitted, the current account balance is \$ 75.00. This does not include two hours (at \$90.00/hour) spent on December 27, 1995 reviewing reports and writing this letter. Therefore additional funds are needed to complete this project. **Please remit an additional \$ 500.00 to cover anticipated expenses incurred by ACDEH staff on this case.** Any unused funds will be refunded to you at the completion of this project. This request is made pursuant to Section 3-140.5 of the Alameda County Ordinance Code.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at (510) 567-6707.

Sincerely,



Paul M. Smith
Senior Hazardous Materials Specialist

c:

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September 26, 1995

Colleen M. and Melvin Sequeira
1150 Bennett Ct.
Fremont, CA 94536

**Re: Soil Contamination along a residential property line
between 1150 and 1160 Bennett Court, Fremont, CA 94536**

Dear Mr. and Ms. Sequeira:

On April 17, 1992, at the request of the property owners of 1160 Bennett Ct, a site visit was conducted by Alameda County Environmental Health Department (ACEHD) regarding staining along the residential property line at the subject addresses. The staining was allegedly caused by the resident of 1150 Bennett Court property. ACEHD collected a soil sample and took photographs of the affected area. A strong petroleum odor was also observed. At the time of the site visit I spoke with the occupant of 1150 Bennett Ct., a Mr. Melvin Moore, who admitted to having poured material along the subject location. The sample was analyzed in our ACEHD laboratory for the presence of diesel fuel. Results indicated the presence of 100,000 parts per million diesel (10%).

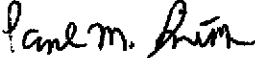
Section 25189.5 CA Health and Safety Code prohibits the illegal disposal of hazardous waste onto unauthorized areas. **Therefore you are required to submit a work plan prepared by an qualified professional addressing the contamination at the site.** The work plan must address proposed measures to define the nature and extent of the problem, remove the contamination, confirm adequate removal, proper disposal and proper documentation of the above. Guidance documents on work plan and site safety plan preparation are attached.

ACEHD has established a deposit refund mechanism to recover costs incurred by division staff time spent on the regulatory oversight of contaminated sites. You are requested to remit a check for \$750.00 made payable to Alameda County Environmental Health Department. This amount will be billed against at a rate of \$90.00 per hour. Any unused portion of this amount will be returned to at the completion of this project. This request is authorized in Section 3-140.5 of the Alameda County Ordinance Code.

Mr. & Ms. Sequeira
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You are required to submit the above within 60 days of the receipt of this letter. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at (510) 567-6707.

Sincerely,



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Enclosures (2)

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