



# California Regional Water Quality Control Board

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Port of Oakland  
Attn. Mr. John Prall  
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SUBJECT: Approval of Workplan for Soil Vapor Sampling, Former Mobil Oil Terminal Facility, 909 Ferry Street, Oakland, Alameda County

Dear Gentlemen:

This letter responds to your December 21, 2001, revised workplan (workplan) for additional soil gas sampling at Berth 23, the Yusen Terminal, of the Port of Oakland. The workplan was submitted in partial response to our May 9, 2001, Notice of Violation. As explained below, I approve the workplan.

The May 9, 2001, Notice of Violation requested submittal of a revised Remedial Investigation, Methane Hazard Evaluation, Final Cleanup Objectives, and Risk Management Plan Report that was responsive to Board staff's detailed comments. Board staff's detailed comments addressed four subject areas: site characterization, risk assessment analysis, methane hazard evaluation and remediation/risk management planning. The submitted workplan is responsive to a portion of the site characterization comment, specifically, "Define the extent of methane and petroleum hydrocarbon contamination to the north, the area now occupied by the Yusen Terminal (Berth 23)." The Port of Oakland reviewed the workplan prior to its submittal and the Port's comments and requested changes are fully addressed by the workplan.

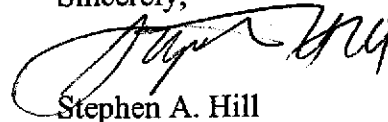
The workplan proposes installation and one-time sampling of 29 soil vapor points at Berth 23, the Yusen Terminal. Field activities, laboratory analyses of soil gas samples, and reporting will be consistent with the procedures outlined in the *Second Addendum to the Final Cleanup Objectives and Action Plan*, submitted to and approved by Board staff in January 2000. (The number and location of soil vapor sampling points may be adjusted slightly in the field to accommodate actual conditions.)

The December 21, 2001 workplan partially satisfies the requirements of the May 9, 2001, Notice of Violation. I hereby approve the workplan.

*California Environmental Protection Agency*

If you have any questions, please contact Betty Graham of my staff at (510) 622-2358 [e-mail [bg@rb2.swrcb.ca.gov](mailto:bg@rb2.swrcb.ca.gov)].

Sincerely,



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Subject: Final Cleanup Objectives and Action Plan for Former Mobil Terminal Facility, 909 Ferry Street, Oakland, Alameda County

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Dear Mr. Prall:

This letter concerns the "Final Cleanup Objectives and Action Plan for Former Mobil Terminal Facility". This report was submitted on December 1, 1997, by SOMA Environmental Engineering, Inc, on behalf of the Mobil Oil Corporation. It describes a plan to conduct data validation (for the "Groundwater Flow and Contaminant Transport Modeling Report" for the subject site) and evaluation of the free phase petroleum product, the methane gas issue and the site's final cleanup objectives.

Board staff have reviewed the report and are preparing a formal response to the plan. Therefore, please provide the Board staff, in writing, with any comments that you might have regarding this plan by February 6, 1998.

Please contact Derek Lee of my staff at (510) 286-1041 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Executive Officer

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UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK CLEANUP FUND (FUND), REQUEST FOR FURTHER DOCUMENTATION DURING INITIAL REVIEW: CLAIM NUMBER 17193.; FOR SITE ADDRESS: 909 FERRY ST BERTH 24, OAKLAND

After reviewing your claim application to the Cleanup Fund, we find that the following additional information is needed to determine your eligibility for placement on the Priority List:

On March 25, 2002 the Fund received your claim application. After careful review, it was determined that additional documentation was needed in order to determine your eligibility for placement on the Priority List. On March 5, 2003, the Fund received the requested documentation for the subject claim. After careful review, there are questions regarding the unauthorized release.

The Port of Oakland (Port) received a letter from the Alameda County Health Care Services Agency, Department of Environmental Health (ACDEH) dated February 24, 1994. ACDEH's letter states that the two USTs being proposed for removal are in the midst of a larger plume of contamination which is already characterized with 35 groundwater monitoring wells. Since the subject USTs are in a larger plume of contamination, the ACHED has classified this site as a "non Lop" site. In your letter to the Fund dated February 28, 2003, confirms that the USTs are in a larger plume of contamination and that remediation has not begun.

At this time, the Fund will need to determine if the removal of the subject USTs suffered an unauthorized release. Provide information regarding the investigation of the larger plume. What is the source of the contamination? The Fund will need to distinguish between the two releases. What is the San Francisco Regional Water Quality Control Board Order Number? Any supporting documentation that you can provide will assist Fund staff in determining your eligibility.

Claimant is advised that an eligible claimant must have either owned or operated the subject leaking UST, is the **responsible party directed to undertake corrective action for the unauthorized release by the local regulator** and is the party paying for the costs of cleanup.

**NOTE:** Failure to respond to this request within thirty (30) calendar days from the date of this letter may result in an ineligibility determination of your claim.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (916) 341-5714.

Sincerely,

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