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September 6, 2012

Rashid Ghafoor and Waseem Iqbal (Sent via e-mail to rashidz1@aol.com) 226 Havenwood Circle Pittsburg, CA 94567

Subject: Corrective Action Plan for Fuel Leak Case No. RO0002931 and GeoTracker Global ID T0600174667, Shore Acres Gas, 403 E 12th St., Oakland, CA 94606

Dear Messrs. Ghafoor and Iqbal:

Alameda County Environmental Health (ACEH) staff has reviewed the recently submitted documents entitled, *Corrective Action Plan* dated June 10, 2012, which was prepared by Environmental Compliance Group (ECG), LLC for the subject site. The CAP presents three active remediation methods two of which were not deemed feasible enough to pursue or even evaluate costs for and recommends dual-phase extraction (DPE).

The scope of work presented in the work plan has not been adequately justified and cannot be approved at this time. ACEH requests that you address the following technical comments and send us a revised CAP as requested below.

TECHNICAL COMMENTS

- <u>Clarification</u> The CAP states that Alameda County directed Mr. Gafoor to place the
 material that was removed from the tank pit back into the pit and resurface the area.
 However, Alameda County was not on-site and did not oversee the UST removals.
 Further, no mention of who directed the backfill operations was noted in the UST removal
 report. Please update the site history appropriately in all future reports.
- 2. Corrective Action Plan The CAP evaluates three active remediation methods but two of them are deemed unviable and no thorough evaluation of timeframe to reach cleanup levels and cleanup goals or costs are provided. Please evaluate two additional remedial methods that are deemed viable, include a detailed cost analysis of all three options, evaluate cost-effectiveness, timeframe to reach cleanup levels and cleanup goals, and propose the most cost-effective corrective action in accordance with Title 23, California Code of Regulations, Section 2725. Please provide this information in the Revised CAP by the due date below.

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- 3. Proposed Extraction Well Locations ECG recommends extracting from four wells positioned along cross-section A-A', a cross-section that is parallel to the groundwater flow direction. Please prepare cross-sections that are perpendicular to cross-section A-A' and the groundwater flow direction, place soil and water concentrations on the cross-sections and assess whether additional extraction wells are needed in other areas to remove mass from the rest of the site. Also provide the radius of influence for the proposed extraction wells based on your previous DPE tests. Please include this information in the Revised CAP requested below.
- 4. Expanded Site Plan The expanded site plans that were prepared for the site are unreadable. Please use color so the writing can be seen on the maps and consider using a larger map 11 by 17 inches so features can be seen. Also, continue to plot data from the off-site borings and use the values on the isoconcentration contour maps from these borings.
- 5. Geotracker Compliance Thank you for posting the previous Geotracker submittals that were requested. However, it does not appear that the EDF and Geowell submittals have been posted for the second quarter 2012 groundwater monitoring event. Please continue to post all required submittals with each report for the site as stated in ACEH's 5/11/12 letter. Please post the EDF and Geowell data from the second quarter by the due date listed below.

TECHNICAL REPORT REQUEST

Please submit technical reports to ACEH (Attention: Barbara Jakub), according to the following schedule:

- October 7, 2012 Geotracker Compliance
- **November 7, 2012** Revised Corrective Action Plan

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding this correspondence or your case, please call me at (510) 639-1287 or send me an electronic mail message at barbara.jakub@acgov.org.

Sincerely,

Barbara J. Jakub, P.G. Hazardous Materials Specialist

Enclosure: Responsible Party(ies) Legal Requirements/Obligations

ACEH Electronic Report Upload (ftp) Instructions

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cc: Michael S. Sgourakis, Environmental Compliance Group, LLC, 270 Vintage Drive, Turlock, CA 95382 (Sent via E-mail to: ecg.ust@gmail.com)
Leroy Griffin, Oakland Fire Department, 250 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, Ste. 3341, Oakland, CA 94612-2032 (Sent via E-mail to: lgriffin@oaklandnet.com)
Donna Drogos, ACEH (Sent via E-mail to: donna.drogos@acgov.org)
Barbara Jakub, ACEH (Sent via E-mail to: barbara.jakub@acgov.org)
GeoTracker, e-file

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REPORT REQUESTS

These reports are being requested pursuant to California Health and Safety Code Section 25296.10. 23 CCR Sections 2652 through 2654, and 2721 through 2728 outline the responsibilities of a responsible party in response to an unauthorized release from a petroleum UST system, and require your compliance with this request.

ELECTRONIC SUBMITTAL OF REPORTS

ACEH's Environmental Cleanup Oversight Programs (LOP and SLIC) require submission of reports in electronic form. The electronic copy replaces paper copies and is expected to be used for all public information requests, regulatory review, and compliance/enforcement activities. Instructions for submission of electronic documents to the Alameda County Environmental Cleanup Oversight Program FTP site are provided on the attached "Electronic Report Upload Instructions." Submission of reports to the Alameda County FTP site is an addition to existing requirements for electronic submittal of information to the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) GeoTracker website. In September 2004, the SWRCB adopted regulations that require electronic submittal of information for all groundwater cleanup programs. For several years, responsible parties for cleanup of leaks from underground storage tanks (USTs) have been required to submit groundwater analytical data, surveyed locations of monitoring wells, and other data to the GeoTracker database over the Internet. Beginning July 1, 2005, these same reporting requirements were added to Spills, Leaks, Investigations, and Cleanup (SLIC) sites. Beginning July 1, 2005, electronic submittal of a complete copy of all reports for all sites is required in GeoTracker (in PDF format). Please visit the SWRCB website for more information on these requirements (http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/ust/electronic_submittal/).

PERJURY STATEMENT

All work plans, technical reports, or technical documents submitted to ACEH must be accompanied by a cover letter from the responsible party that states, at a minimum, the following: "I declare, under penalty of perjury, that the information and/or recommendations contained in the attached document or report is true and correct to the best of my knowledge." This letter must be signed by an officer or legally authorized representative of your company. Please include a cover letter satisfying these requirements with all future reports and technical documents submitted for this fuel leak case.

PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATION & CONCLUSIONS/RECOMMENDATIONS

The California Business and Professions Code (Sections 6735, 6835, and 7835.1) requires that work plans and technical or implementation reports containing geologic or engineering evaluations and/or judgments be performed under the direction of an appropriately registered or certified professional. For your submittal to be considered a valid technical report, you are to present site specific data, data interpretations, and recommendations prepared by an appropriately licensed professional and include the professional registration stamp, signature, and statement of professional certification. Please ensure all that all technical reports submitted for this fuel leak case meet this requirement.

UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK CLEANUP FUND

Please note that delays in investigation, later reports, or enforcement actions may result in your becoming ineligible to receive grant money from the state's Underground Storage Tank Cleanup Fund (Senate Bill 2004) to reimburse you for the cost of cleanup.

AGENCY OVERSIGHT

If it appears as though significant delays are occurring or reports are not submitted as requested, we will consider referring your case to the Regional Board or other appropriate agency, including the County District Attorney, for possible enforcement actions. California Health and Safety Code, Section 25299.76 authorizes enforcement including administrative action or monetary penalties of up to \$10,000 per day for each day of violation.

Alameda County Environmental Cleanup Oversight Programs (LOP and SLIC)

REVISION DATE: July 20, 2010

ISSUE DATE: July 5, 2005

PREVIOUS REVISIONS: October 31, 2005; December 16, 2005; March 27, 2009; July 8, 2010

SECTION: Miscellaneous Administrative Topics & Procedures

SUBJECT: Electronic Report Upload (ftp) Instructions

The Alameda County Environmental Cleanup Oversight Programs (LOP and SLIC) require submission of all reports in electronic form to the county's ftp site. Paper copies of reports will no longer be accepted. The electronic copy replaces the paper copy and will be used for all public information requests, regulatory review, and compliance/enforcement activities.

REQUIREMENTS

- Please do not submit reports as attachments to electronic mail.
- Entire report including cover letter must be submitted to the ftp site as a single portable document format (PDF) with no password protection.
- It is preferable that reports be converted to PDF format from their original format, (e.g., Microsoft Word) rather than scanned.
- Signature pages and perjury statements must be included and have either original or electronic signature.
- <u>Do not</u> password protect the document. Once indexed and inserted into the correct electronic case file, the
 document will be secured in compliance with the County's current security standards and a password.
 <u>Documents with password protection will not be accepted.</u>
- Each page in the PDF document should be rotated in the direction that will make it easiest to read on a computer monitor.
- Reports must be named and saved using the following naming convention:
 RO#_Report Name_Year-Month-Date (e.g., RO#5555_WorkPlan_2005-06-14)

Submission Instructions

- 1) Obtain User Name and Password:
 - a) Contact the Alameda County Environmental Health Department to obtain a User Name and Password to upload files to the ftp site.
 - i) Send an e-mail to deh.loptoxic@acgov.org
 - b) In the subject line of your request, be sure to include "ftp PASSWORD REQUEST" and in the body of your request, include the Contact Information, Site Addresses, and the Case Numbers (RO# available in Geotracker) you will be posting for.
- 2) Upload Files to the ftp Site
 - a) Using Internet Explorer (IE4+), go to ftp://alcoftp1.acgov.org
 - (i) Note: Netscape, Safari, and Firefox browsers will not open the FTP site.
 - b) Click on Page located on the Command bar on upper right side of window, and then scroll down to Open FTP Site in Windows Explorer.
 - c) Enter your User Name and Password. (Note: Both are Case Sensitive.)
 - d) Open "My Computer" on your computer and navigate to the file(s) you wish to upload to the ftp site.
 - e) With both "My Computer" and the ftp site open in separate windows, drag and drop the file(s) from "My Computer" to the ftp window.
- 3) Send E-mail Notifications to the Environmental Cleanup Oversight Programs
 - a) Send email to deh.loptoxic@acgov.org notify us that you have placed a report on our ftp site.
 - b) Copy your Caseworker on the e-mail. Your Caseworker's e-mail address is the entire first name then a period and entire last name @acgov.org. (e.g., firstname.lastname@acgov.org)
 - c) The subject line of the e-mail must start with the RO# followed by **Report Upload**. (e.g., Subject: RO1234 Report Upload) If site is a new case without an RO#, use the street address instead.
 - d) If your document meets the above requirements and you follow the submission instructions, you will receive a notification by email indicating that your document was successfully uploaded to the ftp site.