# ALAMEDA COUNTY HEALTH CARE SERVICES AGENCY



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Mr. Lee Cover (Sent via E-mail to: Lee.Cover@hanson.biz)
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Yutaka Fujimoto Y's Equipment Rental, Inc. 19456 Center Street Castro Valley, CA 94546

Melvin Kruschke Big K Equipment Rental, Inc. 37756 Duvall Court Fremont, CA 94536

Subject: SLIC Case No. RO0002953 and GeoTracker Global ID SL0600189725, Y's Equipment Rental, 7999 Athenour Way, Sunol, CA 94586

Dear Lee Cover, Yutaka Fujimoto, and Melvin Kruschke:

Alameda County Environmental Health (ACEH) staff has reviewed information regarding soil contamination in two areas used for equipment maintenance and storage at the Hanson Aggregates Sunol facility (formerly Mission Valley Rock Company) located at 7999 Athenour Way in Sunol, CA. The two areas are apparently leased and occupied by Y's Equipment Rental and Big K Equipment Rental, respectively. Visual evidence of soil contamination was observed in these two areas by inspectors from the Alameda County Certified Unified Program Agency (CUPA) Program in March 2007.

On April 26, 2007, the case was transferred by the Alameda CUPA Program to the ACEH Spills, Leaks, Investigations, and Cleanups (SLIC) Program. However, the case did not become active at that time. A request for information for the two equipment maintenance and storage areas was included in correspondence from ACEH to Hanson Aggregates regarding a fuel leak case in a separate area of the Sunol facility (RO0000207).

On July 24, 2007, ACEH received a report entitled, "Results of Subsurface Investigation in the Lessee Areas at the Hanson Sunol Former Mission Valley Rock Facility, 7999 Athenour Way, Sunol, California" dated July 20, 2007. This Report, which was prepared by LFR, presents results from investigations conducted in the two lessee areas. The investigations were apparently conducted at the request of Hanson Aggregates as part of a due diligence investigation. Analytical results from twelve soil borings advanced during the due diligence investigation did not detect significant contamination. Based on these results, the July 20, 2007 LFR Report recommended that no additional soil and groundwater investigations and no remediation was needed.

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A review of the case information and a site visit is necessary in order to determine whether ACEH can concur with this recommendation. In order for ACEH to provide regulatory oversight and conduct the necessary case review and site visit, we require that you submit a check made payable to Alameda County Environmental Health in the amount of \$6,000.00. Please send your check to the attention of our Finance Department.

This deposit may or may not be sufficient to provide all necessary regulatory oversight. ACEH will deduct actual costs incurred based upon the hourly rate specified below. If these funds are insufficient, an additional deposit will be requested. Otherwise, any unused monies will be refunded to you or your designee.

The deposit is authorized in Section 6.92.040L of the Alameda County Ordinance Code. Work on this project is being debited at the Ordinance specified rate, currently \$189.00 per hour. Please write "SLIC" (the type of project), the site address, and AR0320055 on your check. We request that you submit the funds for regulatory oversight **no later than October 3, 2011**.

# REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

We request that you submit copies of any reports you have documenting additional investigation activities or other work that are relevant to the unauthorized releases and not currently in ACEH case files. This includes Phase I environmental site assessment reports and site investigations conducted for potential real estate transactions. ACEH case files may be reviewed online using the ACEH website (http://www.acgov.org/aceh).

If you have any questions, please call me at (510) 567-6791 or send me an electronic mail message at <a href="mailto:jerry.wickham@acgov.org">jerry.wickham@acgov.org</a>. Case files can be reviewed online at the following website: <a href="http://www.acgov.org/aceh/index.htm">http://www.acgov.org/aceh/index.htm</a>. If your email address does not appear on the cover page of this notification ACEH is requesting you provide your email address so that we can correspond with you quickly and efficiently regarding your case

Sincerely,

Jerry Wickham, California PG 3766, CEG 1177, and CHG 297 Senior Hazardous Materials Specialist

Attachments: Responsible Party(ies) Legal Requirements/Obligations

cc: Cheryl Dizon (QIC 8021), Zone 7 Water Agency, 100 North Canyons Pkwy, Livermore, CA 94551 (Sent via E-mail to: cdizon@zone7water.com)

Donna Drogos, ACEH (Sent via E-mail to: <a href="mailto:donna.drogos@acgov.org">donna.drogos@acgov.org</a>)
Jerry Wickham, ACEH (Sent via E-mail to: <a href="mailto:jerry.wickham@acgov.org">jerry.wickham@acgov.org</a>)

GeoTracker, e-File

#### Attachment 1

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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 **SWRCB** website information on these requirements the for more (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.
- Do not 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. Documents with password protection will not be accepted.
- 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 as they are NOT being supported at this time.
  - 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.
- Send E-mail Notifications to the Environmental Cleanup Oversight Programs
  - a) Send email to <a href="mailto:deh.loptoxic@acgov.org">deh.loptoxic@acgov.org</a> 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.