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Ms. Donna Drogos  
Alameda County Health Care Services Agency  
Environmental Health Services  
1131 Harbor Bay Parkway, Suite 250  
Alameda, CA 94502-6577

Re: 757 Santa Clara Avenue, Alameda, CA 94502, - ACEH Case # RO0002957

Dear Ms. Drogos,

We are writing you to request a change of priority for closure review for our property located at 757 Santa Clara Avenue in Alameda CA from "Low" to "High", and are requesting an expedited closure review of the above site. This is based on our understanding, based on information provided by Mr. Plunkett, that our property has been deemed a "Low" priority. **Please be aware that the subject property is currently in escrow and time is of the essence.** Our property has been in escrow since September of last year as we work through the contamination issues.

We have asked our real estate broker to provide a letter supporting our assertion that "time is of the essence" and any further delay, such as a review period beginning in September, will likely negatively affect the current real estate transaction. You will find this letter attached which also includes a chronology of events relating to the real estate transaction, as well as contamination removal and remediation efforts.

Finally, based upon our understanding of a discussion between our son, Fred Selk, and Mr. Plunkett relating to the soil sample taken and the depth of the soil samples post tank removal, you will also find a letter from Golden Gate Environmental which should address Mr. Plunkett's concern relating to the depth of the soil samples taken.

We understand that your office is responsible for the health and safety of the people of Alameda County, and as such, probably has a significant case load. During the course of the contamination removal, and remediation, we have tried to be sensitive to this fact and are cognizant that you do have a large case load and have asked our son to take on a collaborative approach.

However, given our age (we are both currently retired), it is becoming more and more of a challenge to maintain the apartment building and extending out the review period to begin in September will cause us undue hardship. This property has been in escrow for very close to a year, at a time when escrows usually close within 45 - 60 days.

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Again, we request an expedited site closure review and a change of case priority on our behalf, as well as that of Mr. Plunkett, to "High" as opposed to "Low".

We thank you in advance for your cooperation. If you have any question, please feel free to contact our son, Fred, at 510-484-7992. You may also contact us directly at 510-521-9759. We will try contacting you on July 17, 18 or 22<sup>nd</sup> to see if you can accommodate this request.

Sincerely,

*Alvin d. Selk*

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CC: Steven Plunkett  
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