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120 Montgomery Street, #1600
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Mr. John Morehouse and Ms Katrina Rapa
5925 Ocean View Dr.
Oakland, CA 94618

Subject: Approval of Work Plan with Modifications; Fuel Leak Case No. RO0003003 and Geotracker Global ID T10000001165, McCormack / Chackerian Property, 5925 Ocean View Dr., Oakland, CA 94618

Dear Mr. McCormack and Ms Chackerian; and Mr. Morehouse and Ms Rapa:

Alameda County Environmental Health (ACEH) staff has reviewed the case file for the above referenced site including the *Investigation Work Plan*, dated September 18, 2009 prepared on your behalf by Pangea Environmental Services, Inc. Thank you for submitting the work plan.

Based on Alameda County Environmental Health (ACEH) staff review of the work plan the proposed scope of work is conditionally approved for implementation provided that the technical comments below are incorporated during the proposed field investigation. Submittal of a revised work plan or work plan addendum is not required unless an alternate scope of work outside that described in the Work Plan or technical comments below is proposed. We request that you address the following technical comments, perform the proposed work, and send us the reports described below. Please provide 72-hour advance written notification to this office (e-mail preferred to: mark.detterman@acgov.org) prior to the start of field activities.

TECHNICAL COMMENTS

- 1. Installation of Contingency Well** – Pangea has proposed the installation of two soil bores and the collection of soil and grab groundwater samples, provided groundwater is encountered using a direct-push drilling technique. Should near surface bedrock hinder the collection of a grab groundwater sample using direct-push methodology, a contingency plan was proposed to install a permanent ¾-inch diameter well using hollow-stem auger methodology (using a drill rig with dual capabilities). A further contingency, consisting of the collection of two soil gas samples, was proposed if a permanent well would not be required by ACEH. Please be aware the collection of soil and / or groundwater does not preclude the collection of soil gas. At the present stage of the investigation it appears the collection of soil gas may be premature; however, collection of soil gas may help expedite site investigation at this residential property and thus ACEH would support collection of soil gas samples in conjunction with a (grab) groundwater sample.

If a well is installed, please be aware that in general, ACEH recommends the use of monitoring wells designed with sand pack intervals of 5 feet or less; as these wells will likely be representative of depth discrete groundwater conditions.

TECHNICAL REPORT REQUEST

Please submit technical reports to Alameda County Environmental Health (Attention: Mark Detterman), according to the following schedule:

- **August 31, 2010** – Soil and Groundwater Investigation

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.

If you have any questions, please call me at (510) 567-6876 or send me an electronic mail message at mark.detterman@acgov.org.

Sincerely,

Mark E. Detterman, PG, CEG
Hazardous Materials Specialist

cc: Mr. Bob Clark-Riddell, Pangea Environmental Services, Inc., 1710 Franklin Street, Suite 200, Oakland, CA 94612 (sent via electronic mail to BRiddell@pangeaenv.com)

Leroy Griffin, Oakland Fire Department, 250 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, Ste. 3341, Oakland, CA 94612-2032 (sent via electronic mail to lgriffin@oaklandnet.com)

Donna Drogos (sent via electronic mail to donna.drogos@acgov.org),
Mark Detterman (sent via electronic mail to mark.detterman@acgov.org),
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Attachment 1

Responsible Party(ies) Legal Requirements / Obligations

REPORT REQUESTS

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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.swrcb.ca.gov/ust/electronic_submittal/report_rqmts.shtml).

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.

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| Alameda County Environmental Cleanup Oversight Programs (LOP and SLIC) | ISSUE DATE: July 5, 2005 |
| | REVISION DATE: March 27, 2009 |
| | PREVIOUS REVISIONS: December 16, 2005, October 31, 2005 |
| 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

- Entire report including cover letter must be submitted to the ftp site as **a single portable document format (PDF) with no password protection.** (Please do not submit reports as attachments to electronic mail.)
- 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)

Additional Recommendations

- A separate copy of the tables in the document should be submitted by e-mail to your Caseworker in **Excel** format. These are for use by assigned Caseworker only.

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 dehloptoxic@acgov.org
Or
 - ii) Send a fax on company letterhead to (510) 337-9335, to the attention of My Le Huynh.
 - 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 and Firefox browsers will not open the FTP site.
 - b) Click on File, then on Login As.
 - 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 dehloptoxic@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.