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Mr. William Mathews Brooks
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(Sent via electronic mail to REWMB@aol.com)

Subject: Request for Tennant Notification, Risk Characterization and Uncertainty Analysis; Site Cleanup Program (SCP) Case No. RO0003120 and GeoTracker Global ID T10000005063, Swiss Valley Cleaners, 1395 MacArthur Blvd, Oakland, CA 94577

Dear Mr. Brooks:

Alameda County Environmental Health (ACEH) has reviewed the *Indoor Air Sampling Report – Second Quarter 2014*, dated July 1, 2014, prepared and submitted on your behalf by Advanced GeoEnvironmental, Inc, (AGE). Thank you for submitting the report. The report documented an additional, confirmatory, indoor air sampling event after documentation of elevated halogenated volatile organic compounds in soil vapor concentrations beneath the subject property and in indoor air samples multiple suites in the shopping center space.

Based on the review of the case file ACEH requests that you address the following technical comments and send us the documents requested below.

TECHNICAL COMMENTS

- 1. Risk Characterization and Uncertainty Analysis** – Consistent with the October 2011 DTSC *Guidance for the Evaluation and Mitigation of Subsurface Vapor Intrusion to Indoor Air (Vapor Intrusion Guidance)*, ACEH requests that a Risk Characterization and an Uncertainty Analysis be conducted in order to preliminarily determine health risks at the subject site. If the estimated risk is greater than 10^{-4} or the Hazard Index is less than 1, response actions are needed (vapor intrusion mitigation and source remediation).
- 2. Post-Indoor Air Sampling Notification of Building Occupants** – The referenced indoor air sampling report recommends public notification fact sheets be generated to communicate the results of the indoor air sampling to building occupants. ACEH is in agreement with this recommendation and requests that the fact sheets conform to the requirements of the March 2012 Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) *Vapor Intrusion Public Participation Advisory*. Consistent with the referenced October 2011 DTSC *Vapor Intrusion Guidance* this should be done individually or in small groups.
- 3. Interim Mitigation Measures** – The referenced indoor air sampling report recommends the modification of the Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC) system in three units adjacent to the subject suite, and the installation of fresh air and exhaust fans. At this time, ACEH is generally agreement with this recommendation and requests investigation into the alteration of the HVAC system to provide positive pressure within the units to reduce vapor intrusion exposures. This is in general conformance with the referenced October 2011 DTSC *Vapor Intrusion Guidance*. Consistent with this guidance, ACEH does not consider mitigation to be a long-term solution. ACEH considers remediation and mitigation as complimentary components of a response action for Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs).
- 4. Interim Remedial Actions** – The referenced indoor air sampling report recommends the installation of Soil Vapor (SVE) pilot test wells. ACEH has previously approved the installation of pilot wells (directive

letter dated March 11, 2014); however, requested that the wells be located based on the results of the soil grid sampling investigation. Please be aware that ACEH considers the plot testing to be a form of interim remedial action. Please also be aware that a Remedial Action Plan will be required to evaluate feasible alternatives for the site, to incorporate the results of the proposed pilot test, and to recommend final alternatives in accordance with DTSC guidelines.

TECHNICAL REPORT REQUEST

Please upload technical reports to the ACEH ftp site (Attention: Mark Detterman), and to the State Water Resources Control Board's Geotracker website, in accordance with Attachment 1 and the specified file naming convention below, according to the following schedule:

- **August 22, 2014** – Risk Characterization and Uncertainty Analysis
File to be named: RO3120_SWI _R_yyyy-mm-dd

Online case files are available for review at the following website: <http://www.acgov.org/aceh/index.htm>. 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.

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

Sincerely,

Mark E. Detterman, P.G., C.E.G.
Senior Hazardous Materials Specialist

Enclosures: Attachment 1 – Responsible Party (ies) Legal Requirements / Obligations
Electronic Report Upload (ftp) Instructions

cc: Daniel Villanueva, Advanced GeoEnvironmental, Inc, 837 Shaw Road, Stockton, CA 95215
(sent via electronic mail to DVillanueva@advgeoenv.com)

William Little, Advanced GeoEnvironmental, Inc, 837 Shaw Road, Stockton, CA 95215
(sent via electronic mail to WLittle@advgeoenv.com)

Dilan Roe (sent via electronic mail to dilan.roe@acgov.org)

Mark Detterman, ACEH, (sent via electronic mail to mark.detterman@acgov.org)
Geotracker, Electronic File

Attachment 1

Responsible Party(ies) Legal Requirements / Obligations

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: May 15, 2014
	ISSUE DATE: July 5, 2005
	PREVIOUS REVISIONS: October 31, 2005; December 16, 2005; March 27, 2009; July 8, 2010, July 25, 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.
- 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.