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Subject: Response to objection to closure of fuel leak case RO0003138
Attachments: RO3138_SWI_R_2014-11-05.pdf; CORRES_2014-09-09_2.pdf

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Mr. Bowen,

On September 5, 2014, Alameda County Environmental Health received your objection to closure of fuel leak case RO0003138 for the Cathedral Gardens site at 638 21st Street in Oakland, CA. We forwarded your comments to the responsible parties for the fuel leak case and requested that they submit a response. A response to your comments dated November 5, 2014 was prepared by P&D Environmental and is attached to this email message. ACEH has evaluated the site conditions and the response to your comments by P&D Environmental and find that the conditions described in your comments do not appear to be related to the fuel leak case. Therefore, we will proceed with closure of fuel leak case RO0003138.

Complaints regarding odors of the nature described in your comments may be forwarded to the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (www.baaqmd.gov), which is the government agency that regulates air pollution issues of the nature described in your comments.

Regards,
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SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO CASE CLOSURE PUBLIC COMMENTS

RO 0003138

Cathedral Gardens

638 21st Street

Oakland, California

Dear Mr. Wickham:

P&D Environmental Inc. (P&D) has prepared this response to case closure public comments at the request of Mr. Matthew Steinle of EAH Housing. Mr. Benny Kwong is no longer with EAH Housing. All future correspondence should be addressed to Mr. Steinle instead of Mr. Kwong.

Review of the one public comment dated Friday September 5, 2014 identified multiple concerns by a neighbor to the Cathedral Gardens site related to the construction practices for construction of buildings at the Cathedral Gardens site. The letter stated that it was the belief of the neighbor that the case is not a candidate for low-threat closure until Cathedral Gardens responds to the construction concerns identified by the neighbor.

Additionally, the comments from the neighbor conclude by looking forward to your reply. Review of the communications shows that you replied the following Tuesday September 9, 2014 requesting additional information. However it is my understanding that you have not received a response from the neighbor.

The concerns stated by the neighbor are related to construction practices and are not related to the former UST. P&D recommends that concerns by the neighbor related to the construction practices for building construction be addressed separately from the UST closure.

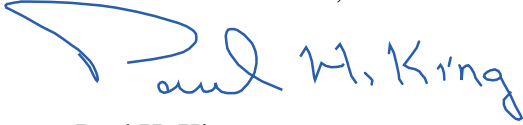
Based on the limited and defined extent of petroleum hydrocarbons associated with the former heating oil underground storage tank (UST) in soil and groundwater, the absence of detectable concentrations of petroleum hydrocarbons in soil gas at a location adjacent to the former UST pit, the low volatility of the heating oil, and the site satisfying all conditions associated with the Low Threat Closure Policy, the residual petroleum hydrocarbons do not pose a threat to the neighbor or the environment and the case should be closed.

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Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us at 510-658-6916.

Sincerely,

P&D Environmental, Inc.



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