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LATE LETTER

April 6, 2016

Neishi Brothers Nursery c/o: Dan S. Neishi Trust & Mitsugi Neishi Heirs of Estate et al. 357 105th Avenue Oakland, CA 94603

Subject: Late Submittal for Fuel Leak Case No. RO0003156 and GeoTracker Global ID T10000006426, Neishi Brothers Nursery, 357 105th Avenue, Oakland, CA 94603

Dear Neishi Brothers Nursery:

Alameda County Department of Environmental Health (ACDEH) staff has reviewed the case file for the above referenced fuel leak case. In correspondence dated December 16, 2015, we requested that you submit a work plan no later than January 25, 2016, for the following:

- Additional grab groundwater sampling to further assess the plume length in the west and southwest extent of the groundwater contamination at the site to determine if the site meets the media-specific criteria for groundwater under scenario 4 of the Low Threat Closure Policy (LTCP), which requires that the contaminant plume be less than 1,000 feet in length.
- 2. A formal well survey to determine the distance of the nearest existing water well to the defined plume boundary to determine if the site meets the groundwater-specific criteria under scenario 4 of the LTCP.

As of today's date, we have not received the Work Plan. We request that you submit the Work Plan no later than April 29, 2016.

In addition, although all technical reports thus far have been uploaded onto GeoTracker, in order to comply with requirements of the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board), the following needs to uploaded onto GeoTracker:

- 1. Analytical data and boring logs for the site's associated investigation reports
- 2. Site map(s) that display locations for all soil, water, and soil gas sampling performed.

TECHNICAL REPORT REQUEST

Please submit the technical report to Alameda County Environmental Health (Attention: Anne Jurek), according to the following schedule:

• April 29, 2016 – Work Plan File to be named: WP_R_yyyy-mm-dd RO3156 Responsible Parties RO0003156 April 6, 2016 Page 2

In addition, please upload boring logs, site plan maps, and analytical data to the State Water Board's GeoTracker website by the following date:

• April 29, 2016

If you have any questions, please call me at 510-567-6721 or send me an electronic mail message at <u>anne.jurek@acgov.org</u>. Online case files are available for review at the following website: <u>http://www.acgov.org/aceh/index.htm</u>. ACDEH is requesting you provide your email address so that we can correspond with you quickly and efficiently in the future regarding your case.

Sincerely,

Anne Jurek Professional Technical Specialist II

Attachments: Responsible Party(ies) Legal Requirements/Obligations

Enclosure: ACDEH Electronic Report Upload (ftp) Instructions

cc: Forrest Cook, Almar Environmental, 407 Almar Avenue, Santa Cruz, CA 95060 (Sent via Email to: cook.forrest@gmail.com)

Anne Jurek, ACDEH (Sent via E-mail to: anne.jurek@acgov.org)

GeoTracker, eFile

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 <u>other</u> 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 (<u>http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/ust/electronic_submittal/report_rqmts.shtml</u>.

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 <u>do not</u> 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.
- <u>Do not password protect the document</u>. 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 <u>will not be accepted</u>.
- 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 <u>deh.loptoxic@acgov.org</u>
 - 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 http://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 <u>deh.loptoxic@acgov.org</u> 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.