## ALAMEDA COUNTY HEALTH CARE SERVICES AGENCY



REBECCA GEBHART, Acting Director

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION 1131 Harbor Bay Parkway, Suite 250 Alameda, CA 94502-6577 (510) 567-6700 FAX (510) 337-9335

March 16, 2016

Mr. Paul Meuser 1315 Court Street Alameda, CA 94501 (Sent via email to pmeuser@woodrodgers.com)

Subject: Landowner Identification for Case Closure Consideration; Site Cleanup Program Case No. RO0003167 and Geotracker Global ID T10000006545, Mercury Cleanup, 1315 Court Street, Alameda, CA 94501

#### Dear Responsible Parties:

Alameda County Department of Environmental Health (ACDEH) staff has reviewed the case file including the *Removal Action Completion Report*, dated February 22, 2016. The document was prepared and submitted on your behalf by Turner MacLane, Environmental Consulting, Inc. (Turner MacLane). The document reports on the excavation of mercury contaminated soil in the backyard of the subject site that may have originated from the back yard of the adjacent property. Thank you for submitting the report. As a result of the actions documented by the report ACDEH is considering the above referenced site for potential case closure.

As previously communicated in an email on January 28, 2016, ACDEH is waiting for several actions to be completed by your consultant prior to being able to move the case into closure. However, in the interim ACDEH is requesting the following required items in an effort to shorten that timeline.

#### **List of Landowners Form**

In accordance with Section 25297.15 (a) of the California Health and Safety Code, ACDEH, the local agency, shall not consider cleanup or site closure proposals from the primary or active responsible party, issue a closure letter, or make a determination that no further action is required with respect to a site upon which there was an unauthorized release of hazardous substances unless all current record owners of fee title to the site of the proposed action have been notified of the proposed action by the primary or active responsible party. ACDEH is required to notify the primary or active responsible party of their requirement to certify in writing to the local agency that the notification requirement in the abovementioned regulation has been satisfied and to provide the local agency with a complete mailing list of all record fee title owners.

To satisfy this requirement, please complete the enclosed *List of Landowners Form*, and mail it back to ACDEH by the date identified below.

#### Site Management Requirements

ACDEH staff has evaluated the case file and believes the case may be eligible for closure. Closure would be under a residential land use scenario. No residual soil contamination appears to remain in soil beneath the site; therefore, a Site Management Plan is not necessary.

#### **Public Participation**

Public participation is a requirement for the Corrective Action Plan and case closure processes. In order to notify potentially affected members of the public of the potential fuel leak case closure, a *Notification of Potential Case Closure* will be distributed to addresses in the immediate vicinity. The *Notification of Potential Case Closure* will request that landowners or residents submit any comments or questions to

Responsible Parties RO0002982 March 16, 2016, Page 2

ACDEH regarding potential case closure. ACDEH will consider all comments from the public prior to potential case closure.

Prior to distribution of the notification, please return the List of Landowner form to ensure that the current landowner is included in this process.

#### **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 the specified file naming convention below, according to the following schedule:

• May 20, 2016 – Return of List of Landowner Form

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.

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

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at (510) 567-6876 or send me an electronic mail message at mark.detterman@acgov.org.

Sincerely,

Mark E. Detterman, PG, CEG Senior Hazardous Materials Specialist

Enclosures: Attachment 1 – Responsible Party (ies) Legal Requirements / Obligations

Electronic Report Upload (ftp) Instructions

Attachment 2 - List of Landowners Form

cc: Dwight Hoenig, Turner/MacLane, Inc, 3511 La Mesa Drive, Hayward, CA (Sent via E-mail to: Dwight@turnermaclane.com)

Dilan Roe, ACEH, (Sent via electronic mail to <a href="mailto:dilan.roe@acgov.org">dilan.roe@acgov.org</a>)
Mark Detterman, ACEH, (sent via electronic mail to <a href="mailto:mark.detterman@acgov.org">mark.detterman@acgov.org</a>)
Electronic File, GeoTracker

#### 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 **SWRCB** visit the 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.
- <u>Do not</u> 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. <u>Documents</u>
  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 <a href="ftp://alcoftp1.acgov.org">ftp://alcoftp1.acgov.org</a>
    - (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.
- 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.

## LIST OF LANDOWNERS FORM

County of Alameda Environmental Health Services Environmental Protection 1131 Harbor Bay Parkway, Suite 250 Alameda, CA 94502-6577

### CERTIFIED LIST OF RECORD FEE TITLE OWNERS FOR:

Site Name: _Mer	cury Cleanup			
Address: 1315 C	Court Street			
City, State, Zip:	Alameda, CA 94501			
-	00003167			
	1 if there are multiple si vner, skip item 1 and fill c		an extra sheet	if necessary). If you are
		(name of prima	ry responsible	Health & Safety Code, I, party), certify that the addresses for the above
Name:				
Address:				
City, State, Zi				
E-mail Address:				
Name:				
Address:				
City, State, Zi E-mail Address:				
Name:				
Address:				
City, State, Zi E-mail Address:	o:			
2. In accordance	with Section 25297.15(a	•		Health & Safety Code, I sole landowner for the
above site.		•		
Sincerely,				
Signature of Pr Responsible Pa		Printed Name	Date	E-mail Address