## ALAMEDA COUNTY HEALTH CARE SERVICES AGENCY



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March 4, 2009

Mr. Michael Desso Nestle USA, Inc. 800 North Brand Blvd. Glendale, CA 91203

Mr. Mark Hall Encinal 14<sup>th</sup> Street, LLC 1855 Olympic Blvd., Suite 250 Walnut Creek, CA 94596

Subject: SLIC Case No. RO0000018 and Geotracker Global ID T0600100262, Carnation Dairy, 1310 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Desso and Mr. Hall:

Alameda County Environmental Health (ACEH) staff has reviewed the case file for the above referenced site including the recently submitted document entitled, "Response to ACHS Technical Comments on Revised Site Conceptual Model, Former Nestle' USA, Inc. Facility, 1310 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Oakland, CA," dated February 18, 2009 (Response to Comments). The Response to Comments, which was prepared on behalf of Nestle' USA by Environmental Cost Management, Inc. (ECM), presents responses to technical comments in our November 26, 2008 correspondence.

The responses to technical comments 1 (Subsurface Utilities), 4 (Abandoned Sewer Lines, Dairy Fats, and Detergents), 5 (Groundwater Concentration Figures), 6 (PCBs), and 7 (Geotracker EDF Submittals) are generally acceptable. Technical comment 2 (Soil Vapor Sampling Results) describes use of the highest concentrations observed on-site in soil vapor and groundwater to calculate indoor air exposure risks. Although we do not object to this method for estimating risk, we do not concur with the proposal to prepare a human health risk assessment. As previously discussed in our November 26, 2008 correspondence, the residual concentrations of fuel hydrocarbons in soil, soil vapor, and groundwater are several orders of magnitude greater than Tier 1 screening levels (*Environmental Screening Levels, San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board updated May 2008*). Based on the highly elevated residual concentrations and significant hydrocarbon mass remaining on site, the results of a site-specific risk assessment would appear unlikely to affect the decision as to whether corrective action was needed for the site.

We do not concur with the response to technical comment 3 (Mass Removal). The response to comment 3 overstates the effectiveness of remediation to date. Moreover, several of the statements do not seem consistent with site data. Technical comment 3 remains a valid comment.

We request that you prepare a Draft Corrective Action Plan by May 20, 2009. General requirements for a Draft Corrective Action Plan are described in the Technical Comments below.

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### **TECHNICAL COMMENTS**

- 1. **Draft Corrective Action Plan.** We request that you prepare a Draft Corrective Action Plan (Draft CAP) that meets the provisions of section 2725 of the UST regulations (CCR, Title 23, Chapter 16, section 2600, et seq.) and includes the following minimum information:
  - Proposed cleanup goals and the basis for cleanup goals.
  - Summary of site characterization data.
  - Receptor information including likely future land use scenarios, adjacent land use and sensitive receptors, and potential groundwater receptors.
  - Evaluation of remedial alternatives including discussion of feasibility and limitations for each remedial alternative.
  - Detailed description of proposed remediation including confirmation sampling and monitoring during implementation.
  - Post-remediation monitoring.
  - Schedule for implementation of cleanup.

Public participation is a requirement for the Corrective Action Plan process. Therefore, we request that you submit a Draft CAP for ACEH review. Upon ACEH approval of a Draft CAP, ACEH will notify potentially affected members of the public who live or own property in the surrounding area of the proposed remediation described in the Draft CAP. Public comments on the proposed remediation will be accepted for a 30-day period.

#### **TECHNICAL REPORT REQUEST**

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

• May 20, 2009 - Draft Corrective Action Plan

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

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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/cleanup/electronic reporting).

#### 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.

If you have any questions, please call me at (510) 567-6791 or send me an electronic mail message at jerry.wickham@acgov.org.

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Sincerely,

Jerry Wickham, California PG 3766, CEG 1177, and CHG 297

Senior Hazardous Materials Specialist

Enclosure: ACEH Electronic Report Upload (ftp) Instructions

cc: Leroy Griffin, Oakland Fire Department, 250 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, Ste. 3341, Oakland, CA 94612-2032

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Donna Drogos, ACEH Jerry Wickham, ACEH File

# Alameda County Environmental Cleanup Oversight Programs (LOP and SLIC)

ISSUE DATE: July 5, 2005

**REVISION DATE:** December 16, 2005

PREVIOUS REVISIONS: October 31, 2005

SECTION: Miscellaneous Administrative Topics & Procedures

SUBJECT: Electronic Report Upload (ftp) Instructions

Effective January 31, 2006, 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 Alicia Lam-Finneke.
- 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 at 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)