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January 8, 2009

Henry Tran 1395 7th Street Oakland, CA 94607

Subject: Fuel Leak Case No. RO0000053 and GeoTracker Global ID T0600100296, Trucker's

Friend, 1395 7th Street, Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Tran:

Alameda County Environmental Health (ACEH) staff has reviewed the entire case file for the above-referenced site including the laboratory analytical data from McCampbell Analytical, Inc. received via facsimile on July 9, 2002. In August 1996, one 520-gallon waste oil underground storage tank (UST) was removed from the site. In August 1997, three USTs (one 4,000-gallon, one 8,000-gallon, one 9,000-gallon) were removed from the site. On November 16, 2001, ACEH sent you a letter conditionally approving the November 5, 2001 revised work plan prepared by Epigene International. According to our records, a County Inspector was onsite to observe the subsurface investigation of the former waste oil UST on January 26, 2002. However, a summary report has not been received. Following the excavations, several requests were sent to complete a subsurface investigation for both the waste oil UST and the fuel UST complex. On July 12, 2002, ACEH sent you a letter requesting a waste oil UST investigation Report and a work plan to investigate the former fuel UST complex. To date, neither submittal has been received.

ACEH requests that you address the following technical comments and send us the technical report and work plan requested below.

TECHNICAL COMMENTS

- Waste Oil UST As stated above, a 520-gallon waste oil UST was removed from the site in August 1996. Following an over-excavation, concentrations of TPH-d were detected as high as 2,400 mg/kg in a confirmation soil sample collected from the excavation. Apparently, a subsurface investigation was conducted and laboratory analytical data was submitted via facsimile. However, without a report, which includes figures, sampling locations, depths of the sample, etc., the site remains uncharacterized. Please submit the report due by the date specified below.
- 2. <u>Fuel UST Complex</u> In August 1997, three USTs consisting of one 4,000-gallon, one 8,000-gallon, one 9,000-gallon USTs were removed from the site. An over-excavation was conducted in the vicinity of pipeline trench soil sample D-5 that detected 2,500 mg/kg TPH-g & 20,000 mg/kg TPH-d. A confirmation over-excavation sample detected 9.8 mg/kg TPH-g and 44 mg/kg TPH-d, and 0.14 mg/kg benzene. However, groundwater in the vicinity of the former UST complex and piping runs as well as the waste oil UST has not been sampled. Please propose a

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scope of work to address the above-mentioned concerns and submit a work plan due by the date specified below.

3. GeoTracker Compliance - A review of the case file and the State Water Resources Control Board's (SWRCB) GeoTracker website indicate that the site has still not been "claimed" and electronic copies of analytical data have not been submitted, rendering the site to noncompliance status. Pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Title 23, Division 3, Chapter 16, Article 12, Sections 2729 and 2729.1, beginning September 1, 2001, all analytical data, including monitoring well samples, submitted in a report to a regulatory agency as part of the UST or LUST program, must be transmitted electronically to the SWRCB GeoTracker system via the internet. Also, beginning January 1, 2002, all permanent monitoring points utilized to collect groundwater samples (i.e. monitoring wells) and submitted in a report to a regulatory agency, must be surveyed (top of casing) to mean sea level and latitude and longitude to sub-meter accuracy using NAD 83. A California licensed surveyor may be required to perform this work. Additionally, pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Title 23, Division Chapter 30, Articles 1 and 2, Sections 3893, 3894, and 3895, beginning July 1, 2005, the successful submittal of electronic information (i.e. report in PDF format) shall replace the requirement for the submittal of a paper copy. Please complete the surveying and upload all applicable electronic submittal types such as the analytical data (EDF), survey data (GEO XY and GEO Z), and PDF reports from July 1, 2005 to current to GeoTracker by the date specified below. Electronic reporting is described below.

TECHNICAL REPORT REQUEST

Please submit technical reports to ACEH (Attention: Paresh Khatri), according to the following schedule:

- February 23, 2009 Soil and Groundwater Investigation Report (Waste Oil UST) & GeoTracker Compliance
- March 9, 2009 Soil and Water Investigation Work Plan (Fuel UST Complex)
- April 30, 2009 Quarterly Monitoring Report (1st Quarter 2009)
- July 30, 2009 Quarterly Monitoring Report (2nd Quarter 2009)
- October 30, 2009 Quarterly Monitoring Report (3rd Quarter 2009)
- January 30, 2010 Quarterly Monitoring Report (4th Quarter 2009)

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.swrcb.ca.gov/ust/electronic_submittal/report_rgmts.shtml.

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.

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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) 777-2478 or send me an electronic mail message at paresh.khatri@acgov.org.

Sincerely,

Paresh C. Khatri

Hazardous Materials Specialist

Donna L. Drogos, PE

Supervising Hazardous Materials Specialist

Enclosure: ACEH Electronic Report Upload (ftp) Instructions

CC:

John Alt, Epigene International, 37161 Niles Boulevard, Suite B, Fremont, CA 94539 Leroy Griffin, Oakland Fire Department, 250 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, Ste. 3341, Oakland, CA 94612-2032

Donna Drogos, ACEH Paresh Khatri, ACEH

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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

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- 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)