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September 5, 2008

Mr. Mike Karvelot Quik Stop Markets, Inc. 4567 Enterprise Street Fremont, CA 94538

Subject: Fuel Leak Case No. RO0000123 (Global ID # T06019774175), Quik Stop # 56, 3132 Beaumont Avenue, Oakland, CA

Dear Mr. Karvelot:

Alameda County Environmental Health Department (ACEH) staff has reviewed the recently submitted report entitled, "Groundwater Monitoring Well Installation Work Plan", received June 2, 2008 and prepared on your behalf by TRC. ACEH generally concurs with the proposed scope of work presented in the Work Plan report.

Based on ACEH staff review of the case file, we request that you address the following technical comments and send us the reports described below. Please provide 72-hour advance written notification to this office (e-mail preferred to mailto:steven.plunkett@acgov.org) prior to the start of field activities.

TECHNICAL COMMENT

- 1. Monitoring Well Locations and Construction. TRC recommends the installation of four monitoring wells to assess the downgradient extent of the dissolved phase hydrocarbon plume. ACEH agrees with the recommendation for the installation of four monitoring wells. We also agree with the well locations as proposed in the work plan. In addition, the proposed monitoring well monitoring well construction is acceptable. TRC recommends the use of an air knife to install a pilot hole to a depth of 5 feet bgs. ACEH does not agree with the use of an air knife during soil sampling. The use of an air knife will disturb the underlying sediments, which may result in biased soil analytical results. We request that you use a hand auger to clear the pilot holes to five feet bgs. Please present the results from the well installation in the report requested below.
- 2. **Soil Sampling and Analysis**. ACEH agrees with the recommendations in the work plan for soil sampling and analysis during monitoring well installation. Please present results for the soil sampling in the report requested below.
- Groundwater Sampling and Analysis. ACEH agrees with the recommendations in the work plan for groundwater sampling and analysis. Please present results for the groundwater sampling in the report requested below.

TECHNICAL REPORT REQUEST

Please submit technical reports to Alameda County Environmental Health (Attention: Mr. Steven Plunkett), according to the following schedule:

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December 1, 2008 – Soil and Groundwater Investigation Report

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 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) 383-1761 or send me an electronic mail message at steven.plunkett@acgov.org.

Sincerely,

Steven Plunkett

Hazardous Materials Specialist

Donna Drogos, PE

Supervising Hazardous Materials Specialist

cc: Mr. Jonathan Scheiner TRC Solutions, Inc. 1590 Solano Way, Suite A Concord, CA 94520

Donna Drogos, ACEH, Steven Plunkett ACEH, File