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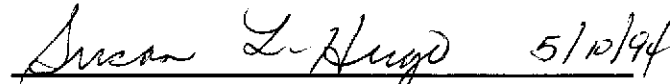
- (1) Presented for your use and information are the minutes of the May 5, 1994 meeting at the Alameda County Health Care Services Agency (ACHCSA) offices regarding the Emeryville Branch of the USPS.
- (2) At this meeting a concept amendment to the January 5, 1994 Workplan for Environmental Engineering Services at the Emeryville Branch was developed and agreed upon by each of the attendees. The attendees were as follows:
 - * Susan L. Hugo, Senior Hazardous Materials Specialist
Alameda County Health Care Services Agency
 - * Stason I. Foster, P.E., Project Leader, Lowney Associates
 - * Charles W. Wren, Project Manager/Hazardous Materials,
Daniel, Mann, Johnson & Mendenhall (DMJM)
- (3) This meeting was called by Charles Wren to discuss how the January 5, 1994 workplan could be modified to reflect the discovery by Lowney Associates of the numerous groundwater wells present at the nearby marketplace property. The workplan had been approved by the February 8, 1994 letter from Susan Hugo of the ACHCSA and prepared by Stason Foster, P.E., and Ron Helm, C.E.G. of Lowney Associates.
- (4) The workplan amendment shall contain the following basic parameters:
 - (a) A four quarter groundwater monitoring program of all existing groundwater wells on USPS property.
 - (b) A four quarter groundwater monitoring program of selected groundwater wells on the marketplace property.
 - (c) Collection of additional groundwater data, possibly by means of a hydopunch, to define the groundwater quality of the area between the USPS property and the marketplace property, presumably owned by the railroad companies that operate in that area.
 - (d) Definition of the USPS groundwater gradient and contamination plume boundary in context with the marketplace groundwater gradient and contamination plume boundary.

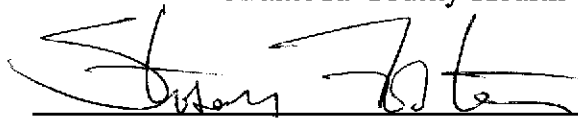
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- (e) Submission of the workplan amendment to the ACHCSA within, 21 days or by May 26, 1994.
- (5) The consequences for execution of the workplan amendment are as follows:
- TEMPORARY
- (a) [^] Suspension of the installation of the soil vapor and groundwater extraction and treatment system at the Emeryville Branch as directed by the October 14, 1993 letter from ACHCSA with the following conditions: ~~understanding that if a consistent upward trend in groundwater contamination levels are not observed, the treatment system would not be required in the future.~~ (2) plume is not migrating (contained on site) (3) Levels of residual soil & groundwater contamination at the site are protective of human health & the environment.
- (b) A meeting with the ACHCSA, the USPS, the marketplace representatives and other potentially responsible parties at the conclusion of two sampling quarters (approximately six months) to initiate discussions regarding potential shared responsibility for the continued remediation of the area.
- (c) Re-evaluation of the groundwater sampling program after four quarters for the possible implementation of a long term groundwater monitoring program that includes a reduction in the required sampling frequency, if plume migration is not significant and the groundwater contaminant levels collected during the next four quarters remain stable or decrease.
- (6) Additional implications for execution of the workplan amendment are as follows:
- (a) Establishment of candidacy for the Emeryville site to be governed by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board Alternative Points of Compliance for groundwater cleanup policy, which allows a limited zone of pollution to remain. This policy recognizes natural bioremediation and containment, with adequate source removal, as an acceptable groundwater cleanup strategy.
- (b) Establishment of what the possible health risks, if any, to the general public and to USPS employees would be if the Emeryville site is accepted under Alternative Points of Compliance policy.

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These minutes are considered an accurate representation of the agreements that occurred during the May 5, 1994 meeting by each of the undersigned.


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