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Ms. Madhulla Logan Alameda County Health Care Services Agency 80 Swan Way, Room 200 Oakland, California 94621

Subject:

Workplan for Additional Site Characterization

Proposed Encinal Marina Landing

2020 Sherman Avenue Alameda, California

Dear Ms. Logan:

This workplan has been prepared by Geomatrix Consultants, Inc. (Geomatrix), at the request of Encinal Real Estate, Inc. (Encinal), for additional site characterization of the former warehouse site (originally owned by Alameda Marina Village Associates) located at 2020 Sherman Avenue in Alameda, California (Figure 1). The purpose of conducting the site characterization described in this workplan is to evaluate the extent of VOC - affected groundwater downgradient of the site.

## **INVESTIGATION SUMMARY**

Previous site investigations completed by others are described and the results are presented in our 30 December 1993 workplan. Geomatrix Consultants has completed the work described in that workplan which was approved by the county. The purpose of the work was to:

- Assess the lateral extent of chlorinated VOCs in groundwater in the area of EB-1.
- Measure groundwater gradient at the site.
- Confirm that evaluated metal concentrations in groundwater are due to suspended sediment in samples.
- Confirm that petroleum hydrocarbons in soil are not a concern at the site.

The results are summarized below.

A shallow groundwater survey was completed by Tracer Research Corporation (Tracer) of Tucson, Arizona on 24 January 1994. Nine groundwater samples were collected by

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pushing a one-inch diameter rod 5 to 7 feet into the ground. The rod was then withdrawn several inches to allow groundwater to enter the hole, and samples were acquired by vacuum through a 1/4-inch disposable polyethylene tube. Sample locations surrounded previous boring EB-1 following a 20-foot grid, as shown on Figures 2 and 3. The groundwater samples were analyzed in the field for BTEX, 1,1-dichloroethene (1,1-DCE), 1,2-DCE, 1,1-dichloroethane (1,1-DCA), 1,2-DCA, 1,1,1-trichloroethane (1,1,1-TCA), trichloroethene (TCE), and tetrachloroethene (PCE). 1,1-DCA was detected in 8 of the 9 locations at concentrations below 300  $\mu$ g/l except for location GW-3 where 1800  $\mu$ g/l 1,1-DCA were reported. Relatively low concentrations of 1,1-DCE were reported in 7 of the 9 sampling points, and low concentrations of TCA, TCE, and PCE were reported in 1 to 2 sampling points. Analytical results for the shallow groundwater survey are presented in Table 1 and Figure 3.

Four temporary piezometers were installed in borings created by continuous 2.5-inch diameter sampling to a depth of 10 to 12 feet. Samples taken from these piezometers through 1-inch diameter screened pipe before sandpack was placed were also analyzed for the VOCs listed above. The sample from piezometer P-1 was analyzed by Tracer on 24 January 1994. Samples from piezometers P-2, P-3, and P-4 were analyzed by EPA Method 8010 by AEN laboratory of Pleasant Hill, California. Samples from piezometers P-2 and P-3 had very low detections of 1,1 DCA, and P-1 located at the eastern property boundary had a concentration of 390  $\mu$ g/l (Table 1 and Figure 3).

Groundwater depths were measured on 20 January 1994 in the 4 locatable monitoring wells installed by a previous consultant and the groundwater elevations were calculated. The well heads were surveyed by Bates and Bailey of Berkeley, California. A groundwater elevation map is presented as Figure 4, and shows the groundwater direction to the east-north-east.

Groundwater samples from piezometer P-2 and boring B-1 were filtered and acidified in the field before sending them to AEN laboratory for metals analysis. These samples were acquired because the results reported by previous consultants were within background concentrations for soil, but were anomalously high for groundwater. We suspected the groundwater samples had not been filtered before analysis, and therefore did not represent dissolved metals concentrations. Based on the very low to non-detectable filtered sample results, the target metals do not appear to be a concern at the site (Table 1).

Soil samples from borings P-1, P-3, B-1, and B-2 were composited into two samples representing depth intervals of approximately 2 and 6 feet. These samples were analyzed for BTEX, gasoline, diesel, and oil. The only detection in the 2-foot sample was oil at a concentration of 610 mg/kg. In the 6-foot sample, oil was detected at 20 mg/kg, and diesel

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was reported at 5 mg/kg. Based on these results, no additional soil testing for petroleum hydrocarbons is recommended at this time (Table 2).

The results for all samples collected according to our 30 December workplan are presented in Tables 1 and 2, and the analytical laboratory reports and their chain-of-custody forms are attached. The locations of shallow groundwater survey points, borings, piezometers, and previously installed monitoring wells are shown on Figure 2.

## **OBJECTIVES**

Evaluation of previous reports and the sampling results presented above does not indicate significant chemical impact to soil at the site, except in the area of previous boring EB-1 where elevated concentrations of chlorinated solvents were detected. Chemically affected groundwater appears to be limited to within 60 to 80 feet of EB-1 on the site, but appears to move offsite to the east-north-east. The objectives of the 30 December 1993 workplan have been met with the exception of assessing the lateral extent of chlorinated VOCs in groundwater in the area of EB-1. Additional sampling in the area off-site and to the east is proposed to better assess the extent of VOC concentrations in groundwater.

## PROPOSED GROUNDWATER CHARACTERIZATION

A one-day shallow groundwater survey will be performed in the approximate area shown on Figure 2 to assess the lateral extent of 1,1-DCA in shallow groundwater. This area is located off-site to the east, and outside of the area proposed for residential development. In general, sample locations will follow a grid pattern. The survey will be conducted by Tracer under Geomatrix supervision by pushing a 1-inch diameter steel rod into the ground to the expected depth of groundwater, previously found at 5 to 7 feet. The rod will be withdrawn several inches to allow groundwater to enter the boring, and the samples will be collected by vacuum using disposable 1/4-inch tubing. The samples will be analyzed in the field by Tracer using a screening technique for chlorinated halogens including 1,1-DCA. Additional sampling points will be chosen in a progressive manner.

### **HEALTH AND SAFETY**

A health and safety plan for site characterization work performed by Geomatrix was submitted to the county with our 30 December 1993 workplan. This health and safety plan will also be used for the work described in this workplan.



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## SCHEDULE AND REPORTING

After evaluation of current and previous site data, a report will be prepared summarizing field activities, analytical results, groundwater gradient information, soil types, and our evaluation of environmental site characteristics that could potentially impact residential development. The work is expected to require one day of field time, and is tentatively scheduled for March 1994. The actual schedule will depend on approval of the workplan by the ACHCSA. A report presenting the results of the site characterization work with recommendations will be completed within four weeks of the fieldwork.

Thank you for this opportunity to be of service. If you have any questions, please call either of the undersigned.

Sincerely,

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**Project Geologist** 

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Attachments: Table 1 - Groundwater Grab Sample Results - January 1994

Table 2 - Soil Sample Results - January 1994

Table 3 - Groundwater Elevations

Figure 1 - Location Map

Figure 2 - Site Plan

Figure 3 - DCA Concentrations in Groundwater Grab Samples - January

Figure 4 - Groundwater Elevation Map

Analytical Laboratory Reports

cc: Mr. Peter Wang - Encinal Real Estate, Inc.



TABLE 1

# GROUNDWATER GRAB SAMPLE RESULTS 24 IANIIAPY 1994<sup>1</sup>

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Sample	1,1-DCE μg/l	1,1-DCA μg/l	1,2-DCE μg/l	1,2-DCA μg/l	TCA μg/l	TCE µg/l	PCE μg/l	Benzene μg/l	Toluene μg/l	Ethylbenzene µg/l	Xylenes μg/l	Arsenic mg/l	Chromium mg/l	Lead mg/l	Thallium mg/l
GW-1	3	54	<6	< 0.9	< 0.02	< 0.07	< 0.02	<0.5	<0.8	<1	<3	NA	NA	NA	NA
GW-2	< 0.07	< 0.2	<3	<0.4	< 0.01	< 0.03	< 0.01	< 0.2	< 0.4	< 0.7	<2	NA	NA	NA	NA
GW-3	160	1800	<14	<2	74	< 0.6	2	<1	8	<3	<8	NA	NA	NA	NA
GW-4	2	110	<3	< 0.4	6	(0.7)	0.05	<0.2	< 0.4	<0.7	<2	NA	NA	NA	NA
GW-5	4	240	<3	<0.4	< 0.01	< 0.03	< 0.01	<0.2	< 0.4	<0.7	<2	NA	NA	NA	NA
GW-6	1	230	<6	<0.9	< 0.02	< 0.07	< 0.02	<0.5	<0.8	<1	<3	NA	NA	NA	NA
GW-7	1	200	<6	<0.9	< 0.02	< 0.07	< 0.02	<0.5	<0.8	<1	<3	NA	NA	NA	NA
GW-8	11	140	<3	< 0.4	< 0.01	< 0.03	< 0.01	<0.2	< 0.4	<0.7	<2	NA	NA	NA	NA
GW-9	< 0.07	20	<3	< 0.4	< 0.01	< 0.03	< 0.01	<0.2	< 0.4	<0.7	<2	NA	NA	NA	NA
P-1	4	390	<6	< 0.9	< 0.02	< 0.07	< 0.02	< 0.5	<0.8	<1	<3	NA	NA	NA	NA
P-2	< 0.5	4	0.6	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	NA	NA	NA	NA	0.009	< 0.01	<0.04	<0.1
P-3	<0.5	0.6	<φ.5	<0.5	< 0.5	<0.5	<0.5	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
P-4	<0.5	< 0.5	<0.5	<0.5	< 0.5	<0.5	<0.5	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
B-1	NA	NA	NA	ΝA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	< 0.002	< 0.01	<0.04	< 0.1

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NA - not analyzed
DCA - dichloroethane
TCA - trichloroethane
DCE - dichloroethene

TCE - trichloroethene
PCE - tetrachloroethene

Volatile organic analysis for samples P-1 and GW-1 through GW-9 were performed in the field by Tracer Research Corporation. All other analyses were performed by AEN laboratory.



# TABLE 2

# SOIL SAMPLE RESULTS JANUARY 1994

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Composite Sample Identification <sup>1</sup>	Benzene µg/l	Toluene µg/l	Ethylbenzene µg/l	Xylene μg/l	Gasoline mg/kg	Diesel mg/kg	Oil mg/kg
P-1-2.5, P-3-2.0, B-1-2.0, B-2-2.0	<5	<5	<5	<5	<0.2	<10	610
P-1-6.0, P-3-4.5, B-1-6.0, B-2-6.0	<5	<b>&lt;</b> 5	<5	<5	<0.2	5	20

## Note:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Composite sample identification is comprised of the boring number and its depth below ground surface.



## TABLE 3

## **GROUNDWATER ELEVATIONS**

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Well I.D.	Date Measured	Measuring Point Elevation (feet)	Depth Below Measuring Point (feet)	Water Level Elevation
MW-2	1/20/94	9.97	1.74	8.2
MW-4	1/20/94	14.14	4.99	9.2
MW-5	1/20/94	13.51	3.60	9.9
MW-8	1/20/94	13.11	3.56	9.6

#### Notes:

- 1. Well locations are shown on Figure 4.
- 2. Elevations are in feet above mean sea level.
- 3. Measuring points are marked on the north rim of the well casing, and were surveyed by Bates and Bailey of Berkeley, California on 26 January 1994.







