

6000 S Corp
6000 Stevenson Blvd
Fremont

11-19-91

Memo to file:

I spoke w/ Jim Davidson (Bechtel) today re: the 6000 S site. Bechtel is contracted by U.S. EPA to evaluate sites for potential ranking and listing on the Superfund NPL. 6000 S Corporation is one such site. We discussed the foundry sand issue, including ACDEH's request for sampling.

I FAXed ^{each} a copy of the Jan. 31. and May 17, 1991 letters to him: 1/31 letter notified Sobek of ACDEH's oversight of the foundry sand problem; 5/17 letter requested a sampling plan.

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PITTS MEMO: Jeffie Schell, DTS 916-322-1003 11-7-91
- recycling issue will be handled through Jeffie Schell

- would likely need a variance to store it
as long as they propose to recycle it

- ABI should talk to transportation unit to
get variance (?)

IMPORTANT MESSAGE

FOR Scott
DATE 11/6/91 TIME 2:10 A.M. P.M.
M.
OF Jim Davidson
PHONE (415) 768-2015
AREA CODE 415 NUMBER 768-2015 EXTENSION

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MESSAGE

Re: Sope Sight
for the EPA

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IMPORTANT MESSAGE

FOR S.S.
DATE 1/8 TIME 3:22 A.M. P.M.
M. Jim Davidson
OF Betchel / EPA
PHONE 415 768-2015
AREA CODE 415 NUMBER 768-2015 EXTENSION

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- returned call 11/13, 11/19

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PHONE memo: Bob Hoffman, DTS legal

10/30/91

- would likely allow it, although there will
^(DTS) be ~~be~~ a number of logistical problems to address
- AB1 sent letter ~ 2 weeks to Alternative
Technology to confirm that Cal-EPA
would allow taking sand to AB1 and what
would be required to store it on site w/o
needing a TSD permit
- storage issue going to be a problem (perhaps)
- transpo hurdles, too
- ∴ conceptually, Bob Hoffman feels it makes sense
to move it to AB1, but the logistical / permitting
hurdles may be insurmountable

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Memo to file: phone call w/Dave Robinson

10-11-91

AB/F

I spoke w/ Mr. Robinson today. He said, at the request of Gil Jensen, the "court" date has been moved to November from Oct. 17. He said that the action of moving the sand to ABI is being explored by the attorneys involved, both in terms of legalities and the negotiations between parties.

Mr. Robinson feels once those issues have been resolved, then he and I can work out the technical questions.

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memo to file:

8-30-91

Costas of ETIC (408/244-7202) called today. He called also on ~~8/26-28/91~~ ^{8/26-28/91}. He stated that he had a foundry sand work plan prepared. I told him that the submittal deadline had been passed, and that the case had been referred to the DA's office. I requested that he contact the DA should he have any questions.

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IMPORTANT MESSAGE

FOR Scott
DATE 8/26 TIME 10⁵⁰ A.M.
M. Costas
OF ETIC
PHONE (408) 244-7202
AREA CODE NUMBER EXTENSION

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IMPORTANT MESSAGE

FOR Scott
DATE 8/28 TIME 11³⁰ A.M.
M. Costas
OF
PHONE (408) 244-7202
AREA CODE NUMBER EXTENSION

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8-20-91

memo to file: call w/ Paul LaCourreye, EPA

Superfund Site Assessment program

- 2-3 stage investigation to determine NPL potential

- PA done (file review)

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~~(2-3 stage investigation)~~

Sept 88 EPA ~~██████████~~

- State DTS did PA

- EPA has interest at this point

USEPA

H-8-1

25 Hawthorne St.

SF 9405

Paul LaCourreye

^{EPA}
cc: on all future correspondence

IMPORTANT MESSAGE

6/28

FOR Scott
DATE 8-15 TIME 4 A.M.

M hiz Stone

OF

PHONE 791-4294
AREA CODE NUMBER EXTENSION

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MESSAGE 8/15

- EPA contacted COF re: potential listing 6000 S Corp site on NPL

- Contacted 8/13

- Paul LaCourreye : EPA

(415) 744-2345

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Memo to file: call w/mike Tietze of
Lowney & Assoc.

8-20-91

Lowney Assoc

- contacted 8/7 by Luloff and asked to prepare work plan; Lowney then received copies of entire May 17 and July 23 letters, not previously provided in ~~their~~ entirety to Lowney before this time
- contacted Luloff on 8/14 and told him that Lowney Assoc. was not interested in pursuing the contract, and told him that the reasons were not technical, but rather that Lowney now felt the probability of finding dioxins was much higher. Because of Lowney's misgivings about the client (Sobek) and getting involved with such a potentially "messy" case with a client with which there has been no track record established, they refused the contract.
- Luloff felt let down, apparently, but Lowney assured them that the contractors may be interested. Tietze feels that Luloff/Sobek are vigorously pursuing the work plan submitted.

8-21

Jim Davidson (Fischer) called today. We discussed the info which ACDETT had vs. the other agencies involved. He decided to go to the FWWD next.

IMPORTANT MESSAGE

FOR Scott
DATE 8-14 TIME 10:10 (A.M.
P.M.)

M Mike Tietze
OF Howney ASS
PHONE 967-2365

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Rly 6000 Stevenson
BLVD

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IMPORTANT MESSAGE

FOR Scott
DATE 8-15 TIME 8:35 (A.M.
P.M.)

M Mike Tietze
OF Howney ASSOC.
PHONE 967-2365

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MESSAGE
- 8/15 returned call

not interested

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8-6-91

MEMO to file: call w/ Larry Lulofs

- conference between ABL + 6000 S Corp

◦ Lowney Assoc. most likely the firm
to be hired

- settlement conference to be held 8-28-91
in Hayward Sup. Court

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memo to file: phone call to Larry Luloff

7/2/91

I spoke with Larry Luloff today regarding his June 24 submittal which included two (2) bid proposal for pursuing the soil / sand sampling at this site. I explained to him that, although the receipt of these proposals provides some evidence that Mr. Sobek has at least begun to satisfy his appointed tasks, these "bids" were not what we were expecting by July 1st. I explained further that a work plan type of proposal was expected, the actual nuts-and-bolts of a sampling plan.

Mr. Luloff did not know whether Mr. Sobek has yet signed a contractor to do the work. I suggested he (Luloff) contact Mr. Sobek to determine the status of the project, and to contact the DA to bring him up to date. He agreed that he would.

Mr. Luloff indicated depositions for the civil actions were coming up shortly. I suggested that it may be to his clients best interest to have the foundry sands profiled before settling with ABI F.

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PHONE CALL:

5-30-91

Don Treadwell - 955-9040

Treadwell + Rolo

ASI representative as consultant:

- foundry sands at Sobek's site
- other sands at a Newark site

- Cabot, Cabot + Forbes property
 - near Newpark Mall -
- may have been burned by FBI at some time

find out about it - KC

IMPORTANT MESSAGE

FOR S.S.

DATE 10/30 TIME 3:28 A.M.

M Joffie Schnell

OF Dept of Toxics

PHONE 916-322-1003

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MESSAGE _____

RE: American Brass & Iron
Foundry

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memo to file:

5-9-91

Costas _____ from Safety Specialist called today. He said Mr. Sollek contacted him regarding the submittal of a proposal for work. ~~He~~ Costas said the scope of work was merely to observe and document the loading of foundry sands onto a truck for transport off-site.

I informed him of the history of the site, the environmental problems, past sampling efforts, etc. I also told him that additional sand and native soil characterization is going to be required before we will know how to dispose or handle the waste.

I also informed him of Mr. Sollek's history with other consultants previously involved w/this site

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Memo to file:

5/7/91

I placed a call to Larry Luloff's office this AM. regarding a copy of a letter from Sobek to C+G Contractors (Hayward) dated April 30, 1991. This agency, nor the DA's office, was copied. However, Jill Duerig (AED) sent a copy to me, for she was on this list of cc:s.

I also placed a call to, and left a message for, Ms. Linda Herr of C+G Contractors, the company Mr. Sobek contacted regarding the disposal of the foundry sands.

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I spoke with Larry Luloff later this morning. I told him of the April 30 letter to C+G. He said he had not seen this letter, but was aware that Sobek was exploring means of disposing of the sands. I FAXed a copy of the letter to him. I advised him that a letter would be sent this week advising of additional tests required of the foundry sand based on the actions of AB+I in handling their solid wastes, and AB 2588 test criteria for foundries. I told him that SW-846 would need to be followed to determine the appropriate ~~3~~ number of samples.

He also wondered when, or if, we were going to "go after" AB+I for improper disposal. I said that that would be up to the DA's office, & that he should contact them.

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memo to file:

5/7/91 (cont.)

I asked Mr. Culoff about the new tenants & Mr. Sobek had ~~had~~ "OK'd" by the COF. Larry said that the COF was holding up some of the T.I. work permits. I asked whether the plan was still to use the proceeds from rental revenue to affect the environmental work at the site. Mr. Culoff was not able to say that any more than "some portion" of the proceeds would be used for the environmental work, a far distance from the ~~original~~ original statements which suggested that the majority of rental income would be used for this purpose.

Mr. Culoff also discussed the use of Sobek's property as collateral to secure a loan for funding the environmental work at the site. He said that Mr. Sobek ~~is~~ has been "maxed out" with regard to his ability to use his property as collateral because he has suffered "six-digit" losses on these properties over the last several years.

He said he would compose a letter to this effect.

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4-25-91

Conversation w/ Scott Cutz - BAAQMD

AB 2580: Information Act
Goal:

Air Toxics Hot Spots To have industry report ^{"Air Toxics Hot Spots INFO + Assessment RET 11/1987"} information & assessment regarding air emissions.
Act of 1987

Prioritize facilities to do risk assessments
> 1: 1,000,000
public notifications

US Pipe + Foundry Union City

- Cl⁻ in coke will produce dioxins
- survey done here (Cr+6)
- air contaminants found: metals, PCBs, furans, dioxins
- risk assessment required (completed)

BAAQMD is reviewing report now

AB+IF Co.

afterburner operates @
~ 1300-1400°F

for AB+I

- consultant did tests (before baghouse) but after afterburner
 - levels of metals, ^{but} ^{not} of concern
 - other materials were not tested for (eg, PCBs, furans, etc.)
 - Cl⁻ in coke?
- BAAQMD is going to require more tests based upon results of US Pipe + Foundry tests !!

6000 S Coop
6000 Steamer

memo to file:

3-12-91

Linda Urabel (Foremost) called indicating Sobek's appeal to the City Council will not be heard at tonight meeting. Apparently, Sobek has requested that his topics be moved to a later council agenda.

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phone call 3-8-91

American Brass's Iron Foundry

Time

Feb 25

0.75

Circuit Controller

Mar 1

1.5

phone call

3-8-91

binders - clay binders for external
resin binders used for internal molds
for making cavities

type of furnaces

electric arc

HC

Tupola method

- uses coke from Alabama
- bag house collect particulates from exhausts
-

do have H₂O treatment system

strictly cast iron

Don Wixson - Plant engineers

Rich Thur

pg 407

foundry resins

- phenolic resins most often used
- furfuraldehyde, urea-formaldehyde, and methane-phenol blends also used
- "Depending on the type of foundry-resin process, phenolic one-step resins or novolak/hexa compositions may be employed."
- "Gaseous by-products are released as a result of the porous nature of the composite."

American Brass + IRON Foundry

BINDERS -

Resins Used (from ThmP dated Jul 6, 1987)

- ① ISOSET 4002 N
- ② Acme Plasti Sand - phenol (<1), phenolic Novolak resin (≤5), hexamethylene tetramine (<1), silica sand (>93)
- ③ Isocure 52-903 - aromatic petr. distillates (10-30), esters (1-30), phenol (5-10), aromatic petr. distillates (1-5), formaldehyde (<1)

Clay

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2-25-91

① Piton memo: Gary Culoff

taking resolution w/ Brass + Foundry sand Reed + Graham

- will meet at site w/ Brass lawyer
- discuss costs - sharing of costs
- Set up for last week? (week of Feb 17) ^{unable to fit scheduling}
meeting will be rescheduled for another date in near future
- Reed + Graham company, too
~~\$ 90K~~ cost to treat

- ~~hoff~~ facility processes
- ① report from American Foundry + Brass
 - ② Is money a ~~factor~~ controlling factor in disposing of foundry sands currently? yes . \$34k m/s. for 3 years if tenants could move in. City of Fremont will not allow tenants in until cleanup.
 - ③ If approval were to be granted today, how long would it take to initiate the waste treatment?
 - ④ attorney says "no" - needed G/H to raise level of site for development - doesn't think \$\$ exchanged
 - ⑤ When we get ##? - quick, quick

⑥ pay to dispose of these?

- attorney says "no" - needed G/H to raise level of site for development - doesn't think \$\$ exchanged

⑦ PWAs

X X X

exaggerated

Your

inability to obtain rental income due
to health concerns should not

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Memo to file:

1-24

I called Larry LuLofs, Mr. Sobek's attorney, and Dave Robinson of ABL. Neither were in, so messages were left. The calls were initiated to set up a meeting between the parties to resolve the founders' sand issue.

→ As of 1/28, no calls have been returned.

4/11/90

MEMO

To: File, 6000 Stevenson Blvd, Fremont

From: Linda Vrabel Linda D. Vrabel

Re: Telephone Call

On April 11, 1990 at 10:30 AM I telephoned Bob Root of Levine Fricke regarding the progress of the Sobek field work. A brief synopsis of our discussion follows:

I asked him how the status of the schedule was going. He indicated that he was approximately 2 weeks behind. I suggested that he revise the schedule to reflect these changes as well as to provide sufficient lead time for Mr. Sobek to review their work and amend it prior to our receipt. I also indicated that at some point ^{their} being late may negatively impact this project. I added that he should also submit copies of the schedule to ACWD & to RWQCB. He indicated that he had spoken w/ Lester of RWQCB & that Rich was handling this case. He also indicated that he would talk to Mr. Sobek about amending the schedule to reflect "real time".

He indicated that Mr. Sobek had received an EPA ID Number and would be disposing

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of the waste in the near future. He indicated that he would submit the Waste Tracking Form with the manifests. We talked about the Chemical Storage Trailer located on the premises which had (NPPA) 2 corrosive placards affixed to the structure.

Bob indicated that the trailer belonged to the tenant and contained a non-hazardous packing material; I requested that the corrosive placards be removed.

Bob was concerned about a packet of research sized containers of hazardous materials. I indicated that these materials could be lab packed ^{for disposal} and to include these items by associated hazard class on the waste tracking form since they ultimately may require separate disposal by hazard class.

We discussed the closure of the above ground tank in greater detail. He indicated that the tank weighed approximately 56000 pounds and wanted additional information regarding contractor requirements. I indicated that tank closures require a Class A contractors license, and I also indicated that the ^{and transport vehicle} crane would have to have sufficient lifting and holding capacities, respectively. He said that the ^{tank's} ~~poor~~ weight would not overload a truck.

He also indicated that it might be easier to contract for out-of-state disposal in Idaho or Utah since he has the railroad spur on-site. I approved a tank extension

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for the closure plan of the tank while ^{begin price} they acquire pricing information.

Bob inquired about ^{completion of} long versus Short Form HMMPs for hazardous materials that will remain on-site. I indicated that the acetylene and oxygen would probably push him over to long form HMMP. He asked about Fire Extinguishers. I said that one extinguisher should be located near the compressed gases.

Bob then discussed the Foundry Sand Assessment and progress. They reviewed ENSCO's data & discovered that the one data point (read) was twice as high as the STLC value. He indicated that they were going to propose to ^{collect of composite} 14 samples first and analyze those. If those come up high then they would ship it out as hazardous waste. I indicated that if he composites and one value is high, he then ^{may} have to multiply that value by the number of composites. I asked him to include rationale for sampling strategy. Bob requested to review our Enlarged Aerial photos in order to examine CA OIL Recyclers location since he can't really review their smaller photos. He also indicated that he didn't agree w/ ENSCO's approach. He will review the photos on Tuesday April 17, 1990 at 1:30 PM.