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(sent via electronic mail to cbrown@abf.com)

Subject: Conditional Approval of Work Plan Addendum; Fuel Leak Case No. RO0003033 and GeoTracker Global ID T0600100018, ABF Freight Systems, 4575 Tidewater Avenue, Oakland, CA 94601

Dear Mr. Brown:

Alameda County Environmental Health (ACEH) staff has reviewed the case file for the above-referenced site, including the *Soil and Groundwater Investigation Work Plan Addendum*, dated March 6, 2012, prepared by the Trinity Source Group, Inc (Trinity). Thank you for the addendum. In the work plan addendum, the work was divided into two mobilization phases. In the initial phase, the addendum proposed the installation of 6 soil bores within the former UST excavation (with limited changes in bore location), and proposed the installation of five additional soil bores around the former UST complex in an effort to laterally define the extent of potential soil and groundwater contamination. The addendum included the preferential pathway study of site utilities and modified the locations and analytical suite of the two proposed sub-slab vapor points (and several soil bore locations) in response. Phase two of the proposed investigation is the installation of two groundwater monitoring wells based on the data generated in the first phase, and in consultation / concurrence with ACEH.

Based on ACEH staff review of the referenced documents and of the case file we generally concur with the recently proposed scope of work, provided that the modifications requested in the technical comments below are addressed and incorporated during the field implementation. Submittal of a revised work plan or a work plan addendum is not required unless an alternate scope of work outside that described in the work plan or technical comments below is proposed. We request that you address the following technical comments, submit the requested document, and upon ACEH approval, perform the proposed work, and send us the technical reports requested below. Please provide 72-hour advance written notification to this office (e-mail preferred to: mark.detterman@acgov.org) prior to the start of field activities.

TECHNICAL COMMENTS

- 1. Groundwater Monitoring Well Construction Specifications** – Trinity has proposed the installation of ¾-inch diameter groundwater monitoring wells at the site. ACEH has significant concerns in regards to the appropriateness of a small diameter well at sites with reasonable access (no limited access concerns). It is understood that this may have been proposed as a cost savings measure; however, as the recent Groundwater Resources Association “GRA-Cast Series” *The Nebraska Grout Task Force Research* found and documented, the annular space around narrow gauge wells is not sufficiently wide enough to accommodate the installation of enough bentonite and grout-solids to properly seal the well from the surface environment. In essence and in fact, they leak. The installation of narrow gauge wells also limits the future usefulness of the wells, should remedial efforts be required at the site. For these reasons ACEH requests the installation of standard 2-inch diameter wells, after (as planned) ACEH consultation and concurrence.

2. **Laboratory Analysis** – In an effort to preclude miscommunication, ACEH notes that silica gel cleanup was not mentioned in the work plan addendum; however, was requested in the previous directive letter. ACEH is in agreement that silica gel cleanup is appropriate for soil and groundwater analysis at the site for extractable ranged organics.
3. **Soil and Groundwater Investigation Report** - Please submit a soil and groundwater report by the date identified below.

TECHNICAL REPORT REQUEST

Please submit technical reports to Alameda County Environmental Health (Attention: Mark Detterman), according to the following schedule:

- **June 29, 2012** – Soil, Groundwater, and Vapor Data Submittal
- **60 Days After Well Location Approval** – Soil and Groundwater Investigation Report (with initial quarterly groundwater monitoring data)
- **December 14, 2012** – Quarterly Groundwater Monitoring 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.

If you have any questions, please call me at (510) 567-6876 or send me an electronic mail message at mark.detterman@acgov.org.

Sincerely,

Mark E. Detterman, PG, CEG
Senior Hazardous Materials Specialist

Enclosures: Attachment 1 – Responsible Party (ies) Legal Requirements / Obligations
Electronic Report Upload (ftp) Instructions

cc: David Reinsma, Trinity Source Group, Inc, 500 Chestnut Street, Suite 225, Santa Cruz, CA 95060
(sent via electronic mail to dar@tsgcorp.net)

Debra Moser, Trinity Source Group, Inc, 500 Chestnut Street, Suite 225, Santa Cruz, CA 95060
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Donna Drogos, (sent via electronic mail to donna.drogos@acgov.org)
Mark Detterman (sent via electronic mail to mark.detterman@acgov.org)
Electronic File, GeoTracker

Attachment 1

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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.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/ust/electronic_submittal/).

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.

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.

Alameda County Environmental Cleanup Oversight Programs (LOP and SLIC)	REVISION DATE: July 20, 2010
	ISSUE DATE: July 5, 2005
	PREVIOUS REVISIONS: October 31, 2005; December 16, 2005; March 27, 2009; July 8, 2010
SECTION: Miscellaneous Administrative Topics & Procedures	SUBJECT: Electronic Report Upload (ftp) Instructions

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

- **Please do not submit reports as attachments to electronic mail.**
- Entire report including cover letter must be submitted to the ftp site as a **single portable document format (PDF) with no password protection.**
- 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)

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 deh.loptoxic@acgov.org
 - 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, Safari, and Firefox browsers will not open the FTP site as they are NOT being supported at this time.
 - b) Click on Page located on the Command bar on upper right side of window, and then scroll down to Open FTP Site in Windows Explorer.
 - 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 deh.loptoxic@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 @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) If site is a new case without an RO#, use the street address instead.
 - d) If your document meets the above requirements and you follow the submission instructions, you will receive a notification by email indicating that your document was successfully uploaded to the ftp site.