

Drogos, Donna, Env. Health

Subject: RO22 - 1310 central ave, alameda gas
Entry Type: Phone call
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RO22 - 1310 central ave, alameda gas
05/31/06, 847a, ken jeffery, Alameda Fire Dept, 755-7001
Stormwater inspection

5- 55 gal drums of drilling mud, 1 year since labels
How dispose of these, time frame

--> 05/31/06, 10a, Fwd to Barney

05/31/06, 1035a, Called Ken back
Have fwded his msg to Barney
Ken spoke to Dave Allen at Aqua Sci. Dave said he will remove the drums right away
2 marked hazardous might be used oil filters which need 2nd-dairy containment
Ken will contact us if addtl problems re: failure to remove drums

2-3-99 Peter Mc Intyre of All Environmental said the property owner, Britz Paul Sappal would like to have a 90 day extension to submit the Soil & Investigation workplan that was requested in the letter dated 1-5-99. I told Mc Intyre to have Sappal contact me.

4-9-99 Mc Intyre of All Environmental said he will send me a letter identifying

8-13-99 Herman Schymiczek of Hersey Environmental said his company is the new consultant for this site. He plans to implement the workplan I approved in my April 7, 1999 letter, but would like to install the 3 on-site wells first before installing the two off-site wells. The reason for this is so that he will have a better handle on the placement of the off-site wells from data generated from the on-site well. He will send me a written request with a timeline.

2-28-2000 Robert Kirby of Aqua Science @ 925-820-9391 said the property is up for sale, and his client is the buyer. I sent him a copy of the well location and drilling logs for MW-1, MW-2 & MW-3.

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- 3/20/97 Received call from Mr. Pritpaul Sappal saying that he got written discharge permit from RW@CB & that he would go ahead and use two carbon drums in series ~~to~~ before discharging. He said he would go ahead & fax info copy of discharge permit
- ~~3/21/97~~
- 6/2/97 Called Coors Hageman - Aquia Assoc. & spoke to Gary Aquia. He said they never got a contract from Pritpaul Sappal to prepare w.p. for site.

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- 2/26/97 Spoke to Bruce Hageman. Larry Sato left Mr. Hageman a message saying work cannot resume until they have a written discharge permit from RWQCB & plan to prevent breakthrough from happening again (2 drums in sewerage).
- 2/26/97 Bruce Hageman stated that Mr. Pritpaul Sappal told him that he forgot to turn off pump.
- 2/26/97 Larry Sato said that if they are not discharging water any longer, then they can resume work w/ discharge permit.
- 3/3/97 Fred, Petrotek, called to say that they were digging out trench & requested that County come out & sniff soil w/ PID to determine whether they need to dispose of soil off site.
- 3/4/97 Returned Fred's call from above. Left message w/ front desk telling Fred that he needs to collect ^{discrete} samples per every 20 yd³ if he intends on reusing soil on site. This sample needs to be analyzed for all constituents of concern at site. If disposing off site, ^{composite} one sample per every 50 yd³ of soil & needs to be analyzed for TPH, BTEX, & other analysis required by landfill.
- 3/4/97 Fred, Petrotek, called back. I iterated the above message.
- 3/17/97 Bruce Hageman called to say that newly installed overflow sumps were observed to be leaking and in order to fix it they will need to pump & discharge water. Prior to doing this, they must use two consecutive carbon filter drums & get a written & signed permit from Rio Duro, due to last month's incident.
- 3/17/97 Left message for Larry Sato re ~~last~~ leaking overflow sumps.

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2/24/97 Tried calling Mr. Sappal at (570) 231-0360.
He was referred to the following phone #s to try
and reach Mr. Sappal: Home #: (570) 799-4550
Pager #: (570) 630-9281

2/24/97

Called Mr. Sappal at (570) 799-4550. He stated
that he received a call from Mr. Hageman on
Fri (2/21/97) at ~6pm to tell him to stop
discharging groundwater. He stated that he told
his partner ^{of Skibo,} immediately to go out and stop water
discharge since he himself did not have time to
arrive site. I informed him of Paul Smith's report.
He went out to site this morning and saw that the
pump was turned off. He doesn't know who turned it
off between Saturday night & this morning. Will
get back to me w/ more details. He told Petrotek
this morning not to pump anymore.

2/24/97 Left message for Mike, Petrotek, to get more
details on site.

2/24/97 Mike Olavarri, Petrotek, returned my call.
He stated that the Police Dept called him on Saturday
night regarding the odor & discharge & he guided
Paul Smith over the phone on how to turn off pump at
~11pm on Sat (2/22/97). He will notify me if they
get another drum & wish to ^{start} get better Septum again.

2/24/97 Left message for Larry Suto re incident

2/24/97 Left message for Priscilla Sappal letting him know that
Mike Olavarri, Petrotek, guided Paul Smith to turn it off

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~~1/29/97~~ Rico

2/13/97

Bruce Hagman called to say that they started filtering g.w through carbon filter & discharging to storm drain to accommodate tank installation. This has been approved by Rico Dvazo at RWQCB & George Leva, RWQCB, came out during discharge & collected his own effluent samples. Mr. Hagman has already collected a couple of effluent samples & they came up non-detect. He will fax me copies. Will continue to collect effluent samples at intervals until project is completed.

2/24/97

Received info from Paul Smith, Alameda County San. Haz. Mat. Spec., that neighbors from this site complained of odors on Sat night (2/22/97) at ~9:40PM when he was on E.R. shift. He went out to site and noted that there was continual discharge of groundwater from a carbon filter drum into the street, and a sulfur odor. Paul will get me full report he collected on g.w. sample for analysis in our lab.

2/24/97

Called Bruce Hagman to relay the sulfur odor complaint to him. He told me that on Fri. 2/21/97, they received sample results of effluent samples collected from the drum on 2/19/97 that indicated there was breakthrough (samples showed 880ppb TPH_g and 1.5ppb benzene in effluent sample and 21,000ppb TPH_g and 100ppb benzene in influent sample). Mr. Hagman stated that he called Mr. Sappal at 3pm on Fri (2/21/97) afternoon to tell him to discontinue pumping immediately. Mr. Sappal, according to Mr. Hagman, told Mr. Hagman that he would immediately go out to site to stop discharge.

2/24/97

Called Rico Dvazo, RWQCB, (510) 286-0837. Reported above incident to him. He requested that a write up be submitted to him, including sample results of g.w. collected by Paul Smith.

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- 1/23/97 ⇒ Fred, Petrotchik called to report encountering heavily contaminated soil that made his employees ill.
- 1/24/97 Discussed required investigations w/ Bruce Hageman, Hageman & Aguirre, (510) 284-1661. Apparently, Mr. Hageman has been retained to conduct prepare a workplan & implement investigations for Mr. Pritpal Sappal. He will submit a workplan w/in 2 weeks. Discussed the placement of geoprobes & eventual installation of monitoring wells. Discussed the possibility of getting a discharge permit to pump g.w. into storm or sanitary sewer.
- 1/24/97 Discussed newly discovered contaminated soil in piping trench w/ Larry Sato, County San. Haz. Mat. Spc. in General Program. The contractors will wait to lay piping until I have had a chance to inspect severity of contamination.
- 1/27/97 Left message for Petrotchik's James Ruble or Fred re contaminated soil they encountered. Larry Sato's Suspicion Report states that Petrotchik want to over excavate or backfill until they get the go ahead from me after further inspection of soil.
- 1/28/97 Mr. Sappal & Petrotchik were discharging tank pit water into storm drain w/o a permit, so I told Mr. Sappal to stop & check w/ RWQCB & get permit from them to do activity.
- 1/30/97 Rice Dodge, RWQCB, called to say that it would be okay to use carbon filters & discharge g.w. into storm drain.
- 1/30/97 Called Bruce Hageman & requested that he collect effluent water samples & analyze them for BTEX & gas before discharging into storm drain.

Contact Log (1310 Central)

- 10/17/96 Left message for Fred, Petrotek, 408-453-1888 re: overdue tank removal report
- 10/17/96 Left message for Pritpaal Sappal, 510-231-0360, re overdue tank removal report.
- 10/22/96 Still haven't heard from Fred or Mr. Sappal. Left messages again. Mentioned that the County may need to call them in for a Review Panel if a Tank Removal Report is not submitted w/in next month.
- 10/30/96 Fred, Petrotek, called to say he will have Tank Removal Report in by end of this wk. or early next week.
- 1/2/97 Called Mr. Sappal to find out status of tank installation + submittal of work plan. Mr. Sappal stated that he feels no further work should be done since they recently excavated ~500 yd³ of soil, ^{w/out notifying} during the tank installation. However, no confirmatory soil samples were collected and the extent of both soil + groundwater contamination at the site was never characterized. Mr. Sappal suggested again that Mr. Sappal apply to the Fund and he said would contract someone to do the work w/in the next two weeks and that he would submit info on overexcavation.
- 1/23/97 According to the Jan 15, '97 submittal from Mr. Sappal, ~587.9 tons of soil was excavated from the site as part of tank + piping installation activities. However, the County has no records as to where on site this soil was excavated + no confirmatory soil samples were collected.

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- 6/13/96 cont... Larry Sato and Alameda Fire Dept. subsequently asked them to do a tank test in 1996. So gas was placed in tanks for the tank test and the fiberglass 10,000-gallon tank failed when product was over 3 to 4 inches from top of tank. In order to locate leak they exposed the top of the fiberglass tank and emptied tank to repair it. They replaced "neck" of tank but still the tank did not pass the tank test. They emptied the tank once again, & contractors were supposed to go inside tank to repair it, but the tank began floating on the groundwater & they were then asked to replace the tanks. There was a release of product when the tank was being tested, but because non-TPEg contamination was identified at site, along w/ shallow soil contamination from beneath dispensers, Desert Petroleum may be included as RPs.
- 9/17/96 Spoke to Prit Paul Sappal, 510-231-0360, inquiring about the status of tank installations & tank removal report. (There is some concern because tank pits are still open & rainy season will begin soon). Mr. Sappal stated that Petrotek was supposed to have submitted tank removal report to County. He will contact Petrotek tomorrow & have them contact County to give status. Tank installation is tentatively planned for Oct 15 '96.
- 10/3/96 Prit Paul Sappal, 510-231-0360, - Mr. Sappal spoke to Petrotek & they will submit Tank Removal Report w/in next 2 weeks & will have new USTs installed on Oct 21 '96.
- 10/9/96 Fred, Petrotek, ⁹⁰⁸⁻⁴⁵³⁻¹⁸⁸⁸ called to say that they will submit tank removal report ^{will} notify Larry by next week & that tank installation will take place on Oct 21st + 22nd.

Contact Log

Desert Petroleum
P.O. Box 1601
Oxnard, CA 93032

6/12/96

John Rutherford, 1-805-644-6784, Environmental
Director for Desert Petroleum50/50
partnership

→ Desert Petroleum sold the property at 1310 Central
 to Mr. Lao and Mr. Sappal in Dec. 1994. The underground
 storage tanks at the site were contained gasoline when the
 property was sold. Desert Petroleum did not conduct
 an environmental assessment of the property before it
 was sold. Desert Petroleum had an operator on the site
 using the USTs up until the property was sold to Mr. Lao
 and Mr. Sappal. Mr. Rutherford thinks that Mr. Lao used
 tanks after they sold property to him from what he's heard.
 Mr. Rutherford stated that he is the last employer
 for Desert Petroleum and that Desert Pet. has declared
 Ch. 11 bankruptcy.

6/12/96

Left message for Pruit Paul Sappal to verify that his
 business address should be used for RP address in database,
 to get full name & address of Mr. Lao, his partner, & to get
 more info on tank issues between the time they purchased
 property and found contamination.

6/13/96

Spoke to Mr. Pruit Paul Sappal. The other property owner is:
 Mr. Shiveharanjit Lal, 695 Harbour Bay, Richmond, CA
 94801, (510) 232-1496. Mr. Sappal states that he & Mr. Lal did
 not use USTs since purchasing property in Dec 1994. The
 tanks were emptied when they bought property. They began
 replacing pumps in March '95, but due to the fact that
 they did not obtain permits for replacing pumps, the work
 was stalled by Alameda County Magmat Spec. Larry Sete
 Court. . . . →

MEETING
1310 Central Ave., Alameda, CA
June 6, 1996

Attending: Pritpaul S. Sappal, owner
Juliet Shin, ACDEH

- o Requested that a Tank Removal Report, documenting field work, sample locations and results, condition of tanks and samples, etc., be submitted to this office within 45 days of the date of this letter
- o ULR has already been submitted
- o Discussed the transfer of this case to LOP and the billing system.
- o Discussed anticipated required work, which will likely involve the installation of three monitoring wells and quarterly groundwater monitoring. If there is significant leaching from residual soil contamination and/or the groundwater plume is not stable, further source removal may be required. There does not appear to be a surficial human health threat from the residual soil contaminant levels.
- o It appears that the new tanks can be installed at the site. The groundwater that is pumped from the tank pits must be properly contained in baker tanks and properly disposed of or recycled. Requested that Pritpaul contact Larry Seto to discuss details and contact both Larry and Juliet Shin when the date of the installation is established.
- o Mr. Sappal wanted to know what to do with stockpiled soil. I requested that he submit the detailed information on sample results (including QA/QC), sample locations, analysis used, etc. before the decision can be made as to what can be done with this soil.
- o Encouraged Mr. Sappal to apply for the State Trust Fund.
- o Mr. Sappal stated that Desert Petroleum was using USTs up until they sold the property to Mr. Sappal, recently. Mr. Sappal had never used the USTs after purchasing the property. I requested that Mr. Sappal contact me with the name of the contact person at Desert Petroleum to try and determine whether Desert Petroleum can be named as an RP.

Gary Carson, Desert Petroleum

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1-805-744-6784

P.O. Box 1601

Oxnard, CA 93032.

Gary referred me to
John Rutherford
Environmental Director
1-805-644-6784

5/8/96 Fred, Petrotsky, called to say they went
ahead & collected composite samples from the
stockpiled soil for disposal.

I didn't see ^{4/25/96} planning to
Forms A+B in file ^{to install tanks}
Juliet: Site should be transferred
The contact for the removal ^{to LOP}
is Ron @ 408-453-1888.
(LOP) Contact Richard ^{Name}
re piping ^{Desert Patrol}
removal Thanks, Larry