
San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board

Date: March 17, 2017
File No. 01-0529 (JMJ)

Mr. Pargat Singh
525 West "A" Street
Hayward, CA 94541

SUBJECT: EZ Serve #100877, Property Located at 525 West "A" Street, Hayward, Alameda County - Request for Access

Dear Mr. Singh:

Regional Water Board staff requests your cooperation in a water quality investigation. Release(s) of gasoline from the former EZ Serve station formerly located at your property (525 West "A" Street) resulted in soil, groundwater, and/or soil vapor contaminated with gasoline related chemicals. This Site is currently an active Valero gas station. The responsible parties for the release(s) are the owner and/or operator of the former EZ Serve gas station. Environmental & Geological Solutions (EGS) is the consulting firm completing the groundwater investigation on behalf of the responsible parties. The Regional Water Board is requiring these responsible parties to complete the investigation and if necessary, cleanup of these release(s).

You recently purchased the subject property. This property includes several active groundwater monitoring wells installed by the responsible parties. In 2016 and 2017, EGS, the responsible parties, and Mr. John Jang of my staff contacted you to discuss the needed access. On January 25, 2017, in a meeting with Regional Water Board staff, you provided verbal assurances that you will allow the needed access which has not been granted at the date of this letter.

To date, you denied access to your property to the responsible parties for the collection of groundwater samples from the existing monitoring wells. You denied access because you find that the Site is ready for regulatory closure. You are concerned that the responsible parties may conduct unnecessary investigations and remediation at the Site. Without access for the additional groundwater sampling, the responsible parties will not be able to define the current onsite groundwater pollutant concentrations. This is an important groundwater resource that must be protected. This onsite information along with additional offsite investigation will determine if additional investigation and monitoring, or remediation are needed. Additional access for soil sampling may also be required if a waste oil tank was in use at the subject Site.

I request that you provide access to your property for EGS to perform the groundwater sampling work. This groundwater sampling work may require the installation of an onsite replacement well for MW-1. A signed access agreement may be necessary to conduct the work. You are requested to finalize this access agreement **by April 3, 2017**. If you do not finalize this access agreement by April 3, 2017, we have the authority to require you to conduct the needed sampling and analysis and any onsite investigative work. Please contact Mr. John Jang of my staff or the responsible parties to discuss the needed access.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. John Jang of my staff at (510) 622-2366 or via e-mail: John.Jang@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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Executive Officer

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