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#### INTRODUCTION

This Quarterly Technical Report by Harding Lawson Associates (HLA) describes the status of our continuing evaluation of the presence of petroleum hydrocarbons in soil and groundwater in the vicinity of the Shell Oil Company (Shell) service station at 5755 Broadway in Oakland, California (Plate 1). This report discusses the site history and investigation progress through the second quarter of 1991, and summarizes activities we plan to undertake in the third quarter of 1991.

#### SITE HISTORY

HLA understands that this facility was a Thrifty service station prior to 1972, when Shell leased the parcel for its current facilities, which consist of three underground storage tanks (USTs), four canopy-covered dispenser islands, and a combined office building and cashier booth (Plate 2). The current USTs, each of 10,000-gallon capacity and double-wall fiberglass construction, were installed in late 1985 and are used for the storage of gasoline (regular leaded, unleaded, and super).

As part of a soil and groundwater assessment in June 1985, Gettler-Ryan Inc. (GRI) installed one soil boring (S-A) and a separate 4-inch-diameter monitoring well (S-1) on the site to depths of approximately 12 feet. Boring logs, well construction

details, and results of analyses on samples were presented in a letter from EMCON Associates (subcontractor to GRI) dated August 1, 1985. Low concentrations (up to 3 parts per million [ppm]) of total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPH) as gasoline were detected in soil samples from 5 to 10 feet deep in S-A, although a deeper soil sample (about 11.5 feet below grade) contained no detectable concentrations of TPH as gasoline. Table 1 shows these results, along with results of subsequent soil sampling and analyses.

A groundwater sample from the monitoring well (S-1) had TPH as gasoline at 2,400 parts per billion (ppb), and benzene at 240 ppb (Table 2). These data indicated that petroleum hydrocarbons had entered the soil and groundwater on site.

On August 10, 1989, Shell retained HLA to complete the site assessment and evaluate the need for remediation. On August 15, 1989, HLA obtained a groundwater sample from S-1. That sample contained concentrations of TPH as gasoline and benzene (Table 2) in respective concentrations of 170 and 0.6 ppb.

In September 1989, HLA drilled two soil borings, S-2 and S-3. Drilling was performed under the direction of an HLA field engineer, who obtained soil samples and converted the borings to groundwater monitoring wells in the manner outlined in HLA's work plan dated October 13, 1989. HLA has monitored the wells quarterly since November 1989, including collection and analysis of water samples. Results of analyses on soil and groundwater samples are summarized in Tables 1 and 2, respectively.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS DURING THE SECOND QUARTER OF 1991

# Groundwater Sampling

On June 3, 1991, HLA collected groundwater samples from S-1 through S-3. Before sampling, we purged at least three casing volumes of water from each well while monitoring temperature, pH, and conductivity. After these parameters stabilized, groundwater samples were collected with a clean stainless steel bailer, and decanted directly into laboratory-prepared volatile organic analysis (VOA) vials. Between wells, all purging and sampling equipment was cleaned with an Alconox solution and rinsed with deionized water. The samples were labeled and placed into an ice-chilled cooler and delivered under chain-of-custody to Sequoia Analytical Laboratory in Redwood City, California, a state-certified chemical testing laboratory. Samples were analyzed for TPH as gasoline (USEPA Test Method 8015, modified) and for benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, and total xylenes (BTEX) (USEPA Test Method 8020).

## Chemical Test Results

The results of chemical analyses on groundwater samples are shown in Table 2; the laboratory report is in the appendix. The water samples from S-1 and S-3 showed non-detectable concentrations of all compounds tested. Results from S-2 indicated 490 ppb TPH as gasoline and 150 ppb benzene. As shown in Table 2, the concentrations of these two components in S-2 have fluctuated since the well was installed, with a slight

increase in the most recent quarter. Data for S-1 show that TPH and benzene concentrations have also fluctuated, but have shown a decreasing trend since April 1990. Data for S-3 have consistently shown non-detectable concentrations of all components since well installation.

### Groundwater Gradient

Water-level measurements were obtained using a chalked steel tape accurate to 0.01 feet. Well survey and water-level data are presented in Table 3. Shallow groundwater, as measured in S-1 through S-3, was between 3 and 5 feet below grade. The direction of groundwater flow, as inferred from the calculated direction of the hydraulic gradient, is to the south. Except for the fluctuation in groundwater elevation, these data are consistent with those from previous quarters. The rate of groundwater movement was not determined in this study.

### ANTICIPATED ACTIVITIES FOR THE THIRD QUARTER 1991

HLA plans to perform the following tasks in the third quarter of 1991:

- Install and sample one off-site monitoring well to evaluate the lateral and vertical extent of hydrocarbons in soil and groundwater;
- Drill and sample three on-site exploratory borings to evaluate the lateral and vertical extent of hydrocarbons in soil;
- Reconstruct monitoring well S-1, which currently has an inadequate surface seal in the annular space between the casing and borehole wall;

- Conduct quarterly monitoring activities, including measurement of water levels, checking for free product, and sampling of groundwater from each of the monitoring wells.
- Submit soil and groundwater samples for TPH and BTEX analyses. Results will be presented in our next quarterly technical report.

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Sample Number	Depth (ft)	Sampling Date	TPH as Gasoline (ppm)	Benzene (ppm)	Toluene (ppm)	Ethyl- benzene (ppm)	Xylenes (ppm)
S-A*	5.5	06/12/85	3			••	
S-A*	10	06/12/85	2	••			
S-A*	11.5	06/12/85	ND				
s-2-1	3.0	09/18/89	92	.120	.800	.580	4.20
s-3-1	3.0	09/18/89	ND (10)	ND (.025)	.062 (.025	) ND (.025)	.120

Reporting Limits in parentheses

ND = Not detected

TPH = Total petroleum hydrocarbons

<sup>\*</sup> From Emcon report dated 08/01/85

<sup>--</sup> Not Tested

Table 2. Summary of Analyses on Groundwater Samples

Well Number (ppb)	Sampling 	TPH as Gasoline (ppb)	Benzene (ppb)	Toluene (ppb)	Ethyl- benzene (ppb)	Xylenes -
s-1	07/03/85* 08/15/89 11/13/89 01/18/90 04/11/90 07/27/90 10/17/90 01/25/91 06/03/91	2,400 170 90 ND (50) 520 ND (30) ND (30) ND (30) ND (30)	240 0.6 1.2 57 120 2.7 0.99 ND (3) ND (3)	9.8 ND (.5) ND (.5) 3.1 2.2 0.31 ND (.3) ND (.3) ND (.3)	380** ND (1.5) ND (1.5) 5.7 .44 ND (.3) ND (.3) ND (.3) ND (.3)	ND (1.5) ND (1.5) 10 6.0 0.47 ND (.3) ND (.3) ND (.3)
s-2	09/22/89 11/13/89 01/18/90 04/11/90 07/27/90 10/17/90 01/25/91 06/03/91	260 910 1,100 2,900 700 320 450 490	15 64 74 510 210 44 140	2 5.8 5.6 6.5 2.5 0.75 1.8 2.7	1 13 13 29 18 7.9 6.2 8.2	13 84 45 120 33 4.6 15
s-3	09/22/89 11/13/89 01/18/90 04/11/90 07/27/90 10/17/90 01/25/91 06/03/91	ND (50) ND (50) ND (50) ND (30) ND (30) ND (30) ND (30) ND (30)	ND (.5) ND (.5) ND (.5) ND (.3) ND (.3) ND (.3) ND (.3) ND (.3)	ND (.5) ND (.5) ND (.5) ND (.3) ND (.3) ND (.3) ND (.3) ND (.3)	ND(1.5) ND(1.5) ND (.5) ND (.3) ND (.3) ND (.3) ND (.3) ND (.3)	ND(1.5) ND(1.5) ND (.5) ND (.3) ND (.3) ND (.3) ND (.3) ND (.3)

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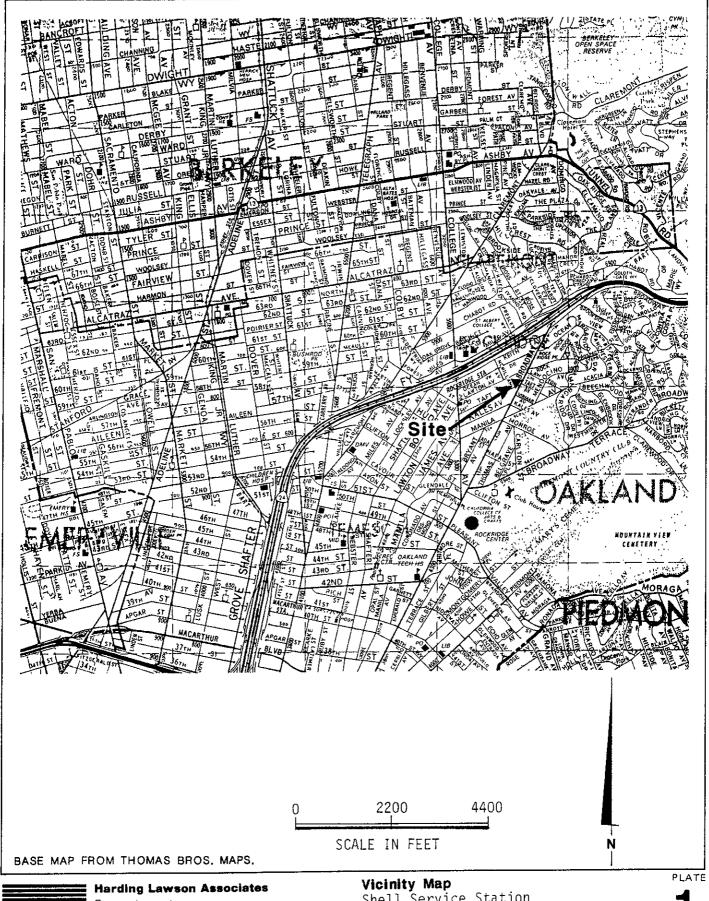
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Table 3. Well-survey and Water-level Data

Well <u>Number</u>	Date	Top of Casing (feet)	Depth to Groundwater(feet)	Relative Groundwater Elevation (feet)
s-1	10/05/89	*100.00	3.80	96.20
	11/13/89		3.72	96.12
	01/18/90		2.87	97.13
	02/20/90		2.71	97.29
	04/11/90		3.36	96.64
	07/27/90		3.60	96.40
	10/17/90		4.09	95.91
	01/25/91		3.88	96.12
	06/03/91		3.51	96.49
s-2	10/05/89	98.92	4.44	94.48
	11/13/89		4.44	94.48
	01/18/90		3.41	95.51
	02/20/90		3.19	95.73
	04/11/90		3.94	94.98
	07/27/90		4.13	94.79
	10/17/90		4.57	94.35
	01/25/91		4.52	94.40
	06/03/91		4.02	94.90
s-3	10/05/89	101.67	3.97	97.70
	11/13/89		3.76	97.91
	01/18/90		2.43	99.24
	02/20/90		2.27	99.40
	04/11/90		2.88	98.79
	07/27/90		3.55	98.12
	10/17/90		4.29	97.38
	01/25/91		3.84	97.83
	06/03/91		3.25	98.42

<sup>\*</sup> Temporary datum of 100.00 feet assigned to top-of-casing at well number S-1

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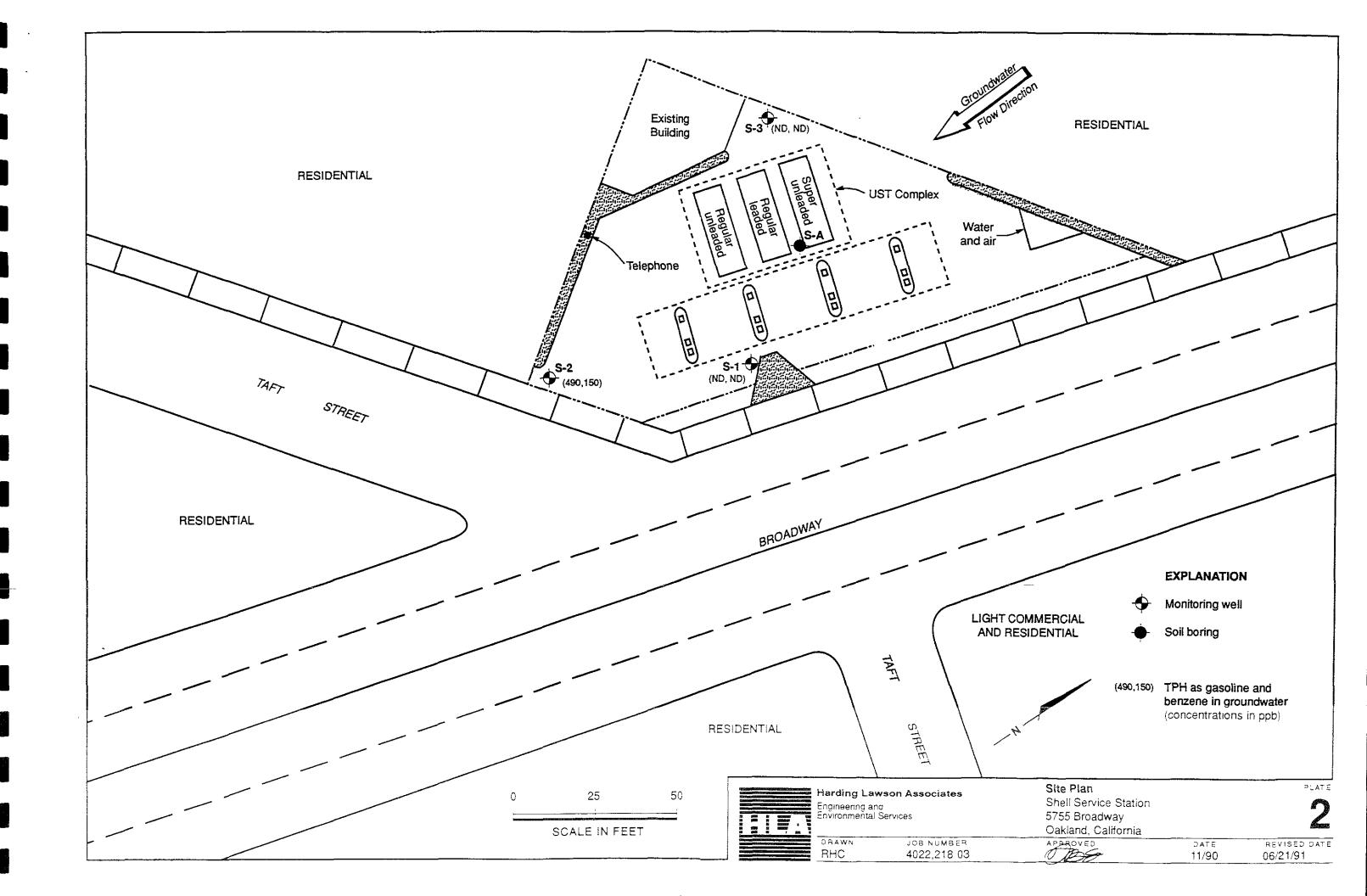
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LABORATORY REPORT

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Project: 4022,218.03 / Shell Broadway

Enclosed are the results from 3 water samples received at Sequoia Analytical on June 4,1991. The requested analyses are listed below:

SAMPLE #	SAMPLE DESCRIPTION	DATE OF COLLECTION	TEST METHOD
1060246	Water, S-1	6/3/91	EPA 5030/8015/8020
1060247	Water, S-2	6/3/91	EPA 5030/8015/8020
1060248	Water, S-3	6/3/91	EPA 5030/8015/8020

Please contact me if you have any questions. In the meantime, thank you for the opportunity to work with you on this project.

Very truly yours,

SEQUOIA ANALYTICAL

Maile McBirney Springer

Project Manager



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Client Project ID: Matrix Descript: 4022,218.03 / Shell Broadway Water

Sampled: Received: Jun 3, 1991 Jun 4, 1991

Concord, CA 94520 Attention: Dan Erbes Analysis Method: First Sample #: EPA 5030/8015/8020 106-0246 A-B Analyzed: Reported:

Jun 5, 1991 Jun 10, 1991

# TOTAL PETROLEUM FUEL HYDROCARBONS with BTEX DISTINCTION (EPA 8015/8020)

Sample Number	Sample Description	Low/Medium B.P Hydrocarbons μg/L (ppb)	<b>Benzene</b> μg/L (ppb)	<b>Toluene</b> μg/L (ppb)	Ethyl Benzene μg/L (ppb)	<b>Xylenes</b> μg/L (ppb)
106-0246	S-1	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.
106-0247	S-2	490	150	2.7	8.2	7.0
106-0248	S-3	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.

Detection Limits:	30	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.30	
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Low to Medium Boiling Point Hydrocarbons are quantitated against a gasoline standard. Analytes reported as N.D. were not present above the stated limit of detection.

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Maile McBirney Springer Project Manager

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Attention: Dan Erbes QC Sample Group: 1060246-8 Attention: Dan Erbes

Reported: Jun 10, 1991

### **QUALITY CONTROL DATA REPORT**

ANALYTE			Ethyl	
	Benzene	Toluene	benzene	Xylenes
Method:	EPA 8020	EPA 8020	EPA 8020	EPA 8020
Analyst:	J. Dinsay	J. Dinsay	J. Dinsay	J. Dinsay
Reporting Units:	ng	ng	ng	ng
Date Analyzed:	Jun 5, 1991	Jun 5, 1991	Jun 5, 1991	Jun 5, 1991
QC Sample #:	GBLK060591	GBLK060591	GBLK060591	GBLK060591
Sample Conc.:	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.
Spike Conc. Added:	100	100	100	300
Conc. Matrix Spike:	100	100	99	300
Matrix Spike % Recovery:	100	100	99	100
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Conc. Matrix	100	100	100	300
Spike Dup.:	100	100	100	300
Matrix Spike				
Duplicate % Recovery:	100	100	100	100
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Relative	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0
% Difference:	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0

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% Recovery: Conc. of M.S. - Conc. of Sample

Spike Conc. Added

Conc. of M.S. - Conc. of M.S.D. Relative % Difference:

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