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LETTER REPORT QUARTERLY GROUND-WATER MONITORING Fourth Quarter 1990

at ARCO Station 374 6407 Telegraph Avenue Oakland, California

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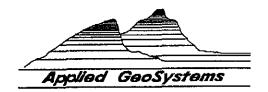
Fourth Quarter 1990 Ground-Water Monitoring Report for ARCO Station

374, 6407 Telegraph Avenue, Oakland, California.

Mr. Carmel:

This letter report summarizes the methods and results of the Fourth Quarter 1990 ground-water monitoring performed by Applied GeoSystems (AGS) at and near the above-referenced site. The station is on the northwestern side of the intersection of Alcatraz and Telegraph Avenues in Oakland, California, as shown on the Site Vicinity Map (Plate 1). ARCO has requested that AGS perform quarterly ground-water sampling and analyses to monitor hydrocarbon concentrations associated with the former waste-oil and gasoline tanks at the site, and to evaluate trends related to fluctuations of these hydrocarbon concentrations.

Prior to the present monitoring, AGS performed limited subsurface environmental investigations related to the former underground waste-oil and gasoline-storage tanks at the site. AGS performed a preliminary assessment, including the drilling of four exploratory borings (B-1 through B-4) in April 1988, prior to tank replacement activities at the site. In June 1988, AGS performed soil sampling and observation during removal of four underground storage tanks. Four tank pit monitoring wells were installed at the site during tank replacement activities; two in the former tank pit (W-1 and W-2), and two in the new tank pit (W-3 and W-4). In addition, AGS performed a subsurface investigation in July 1989, which included the installation of four ground-water monitoring wells (MW-1, MW-2, MW-3, and MW-4), three onsite and one offsite. The results of these investigations are presented in the reports listed in the references attached to this letter report. The locations of the ground-water monitoring wells and pertinent site features are shown on the Generalized Site Plan (Plate 2).



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Ground-Water Sampling and Gradient Evaluation

AGS personnel performed quarterly ground-water monitoring and sampling on December 6, 1990. Field work consisted of measuring depth-to-water (DTW) levels in wells MW-1, MW-2, MW-3, and MW-4; subjectively analyzing water from these wells for the presence of petroleum hydrocarbon sheen and floating product; and purging and sampling ground water from these monitoring wells for laboratory analysis. In addition, water levels were measured at the site and subjective analysis was performed to monitor the presence of hydrocarbon product in the wells on December 19, 1990. The ground-water sampling protocol is attached.

The DTW levels, wellhead elevations, and ground-water elevations for this and previous monitoring episodes at the site are summarized in Table 1, Cumulative Ground-Water Monitoring Data. The ground-water gradients, interpreted from the December 6 and 19, 1990 monitoring data are approximately about 0.03 toward the southwest, as shown on the Ground-Water Gradient Maps (Plates 3 and 4). These interpreted gradients are generally consistent with the previously interpreted ground-water gradient for this site.

Water samples were collected from wells MW-1, MW-2, MW-3, and MW-4 for subjective analysis before the monitoring wells were purged and sampled on December 6, 1990. A floating product sheen was noted in well MW-4 and product odor was noted in the water samples from wells MW-2 and MW-3. A product sheen was not observed on the water from well MW-4 on December 19,1990; however, a product odor was noted in the water samples from this well. A product odor was also noted in the water samples from wells MW-2 and MW-3 on this date. No evidence of hydrocarbon product was noted on either date in water samples from well MW-1. Cumulative results of water levels and subjective analyses data are presented in Table 1.

Monitoring wells MW-1, MW-2, and MW-3 were purged and sampled on December 6, 1990, in accordance with the attached protocol. Well purge data sheets for the parameters monitored and stabilization graphs for each well are also attached. Well MW-4 was not sampled due to the presence of floating product sheen observed on the water samples from this well.

Laboratory Analysis

Water samples collected from the wells were delivered under chain of custody to Applied Analytical Environmental Laboratories in Fremont, California (Hazardous Waste Testing Laboratory Certification No. 1211). The water samples from wells MW-1 through MW-3 were analyzed for total petroleum hydrocarbons as gasoline (TPHg) and benzene, toluene,

ethylbenzene, and total xylenes (BTEX) using modified Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Methods 5030/8015/602. The water samples from well MW-3 were also analyzed for total petroleum hydrocarbons as diesel (TPHd) by EPA methods 3510/8015 because TPHd was previously reported in well MW-4, upgradient of MW-3. The Chain of Custody Records and Laboratory Analysis Reports are attached. Results of these and previous water analyses are summarized in Table 2, Cumulative Results of Ground-Water Laboratory Analyses.

Results of this quarter's laboratory analyses of water samples from wells MW-1 through MW-3 indicate that:

- o the highest concentrations of TPHg and BTEX in laboratory analyzed samples were reported in well MW-2, cross gradient of the former underground storage tanks.
- o BTEX is present in ground-water samples from well MW-1, up gradient of the former underground storage tanks, at concentrations of 0.6 to 5.8 parts-per-billion, and in well MW-3, downgradient offsite of the former underground storage tanks, at concentrations of 14 to 52 ppb. TPHg was reported as nondetectable in well MW-1 and at a concentration of 460 ppb in well MW-3.
- o TPHd was detected at a concentration of 350 ppb in well MW-3.

Conclusions

For the first time since July 1989, hydrocarbon concentrations in well MW-1 have been detected (specifically BTEX ranging from 0.6 ppb to 5.8 ppb). Also, for the first time since October 1989, evidence of product sheen in well MW-4 at the site was observed. However, concentrations of hydrocarbons in wells MW-2 and MW-3 have generally decreased since October 1989. The concentrations of benzene in wells MW-1, MW-2, and MW-3 exceed the drinking water and maximum contaminant level (MCL) set by the State of California Department of Health Services (DHS). Reported concentrations of TPHg and BTEX in well MW-1 and may be from offsite sources.

Recommendations

We recommend continued quarterly ground-water monitoring at this site. In addition, we recommend sampling of wells MW-1 through MW-4 for TPHd during the next quarterly

recommendations for subsequent subsurface investigation at the site will be submitted under separate cover.

Schedule

Applied GeoSystems will continue the quarterly ground-water monitoring at this site to evaluate trends in petroleum hydrocarbons and changes in ground-water gradient with time. The next quarterly monitoring event is scheduled for February 20, 1990.

At ARCO's request, AGS will perform monthly monitoring of water levels in wells MW-1 through MW-4, at and near the site. Routine well maintenance and quality control will be performed as necessary during all site visits.

We recommend that copies of this report be forwarded to:

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Mr. Lester Feldman Regional Water Quality Control Board San Francisco Bay Region 1800 Harrison Street Oakland, California 94612 If you have any questions or comments, please call Mr. Greg Barclay at (408) 264-7723.

Sincerely, Applied GeoSystems

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Attachments: References

Plate 1, Site Vicinity Map Plate 2, Generalized Site Plan

Plate 3, Ground-Water Gradient Map, December 6, 1990 Plate 4, Ground-Water Gradient Map, December 19, 1990

Table 1, Cumulative Ground-Water Monitoring Data

Table 2, Cumulative Results of Laboratory Analyses of Water Samples

Appendix A: Ground-Water Sampling Protocol

Well Purge Data Sheets Stabilization Graphs

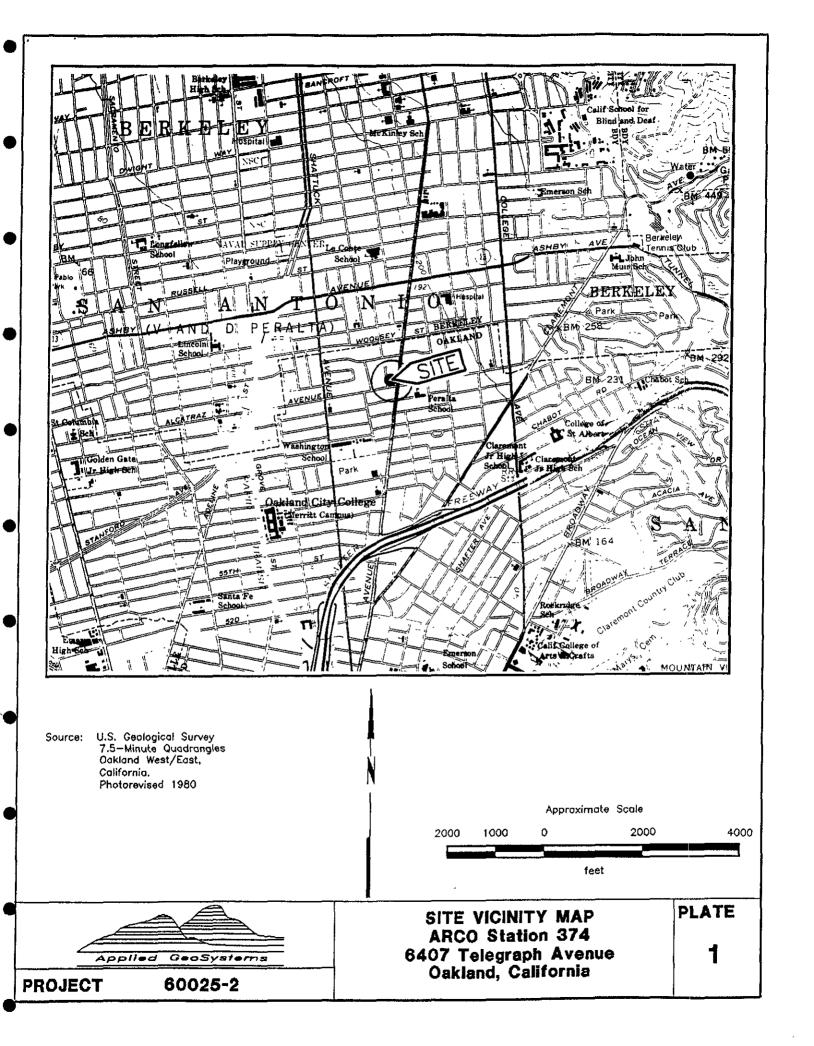
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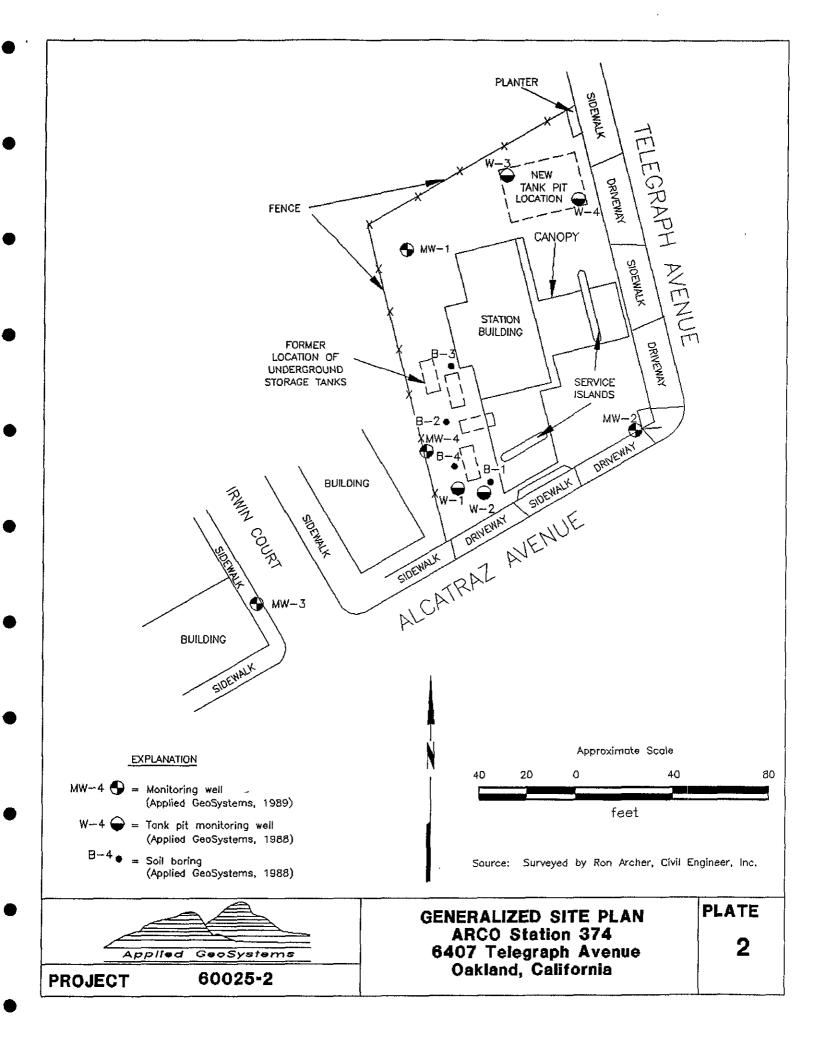
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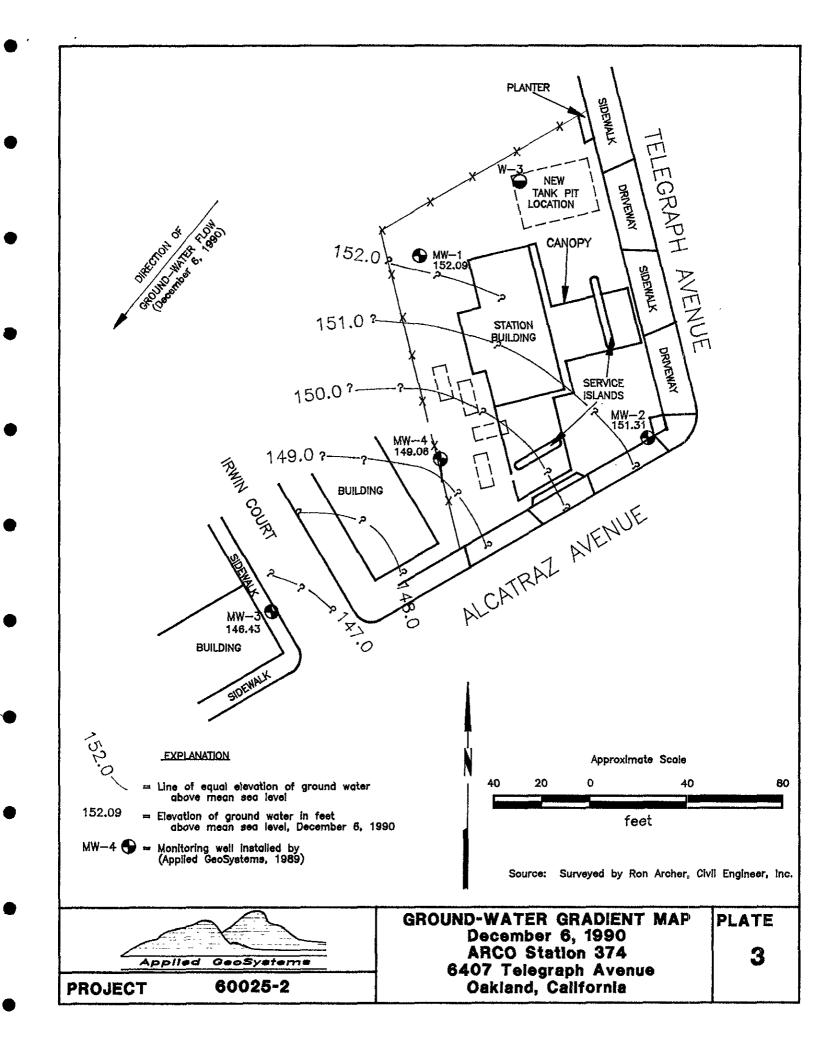
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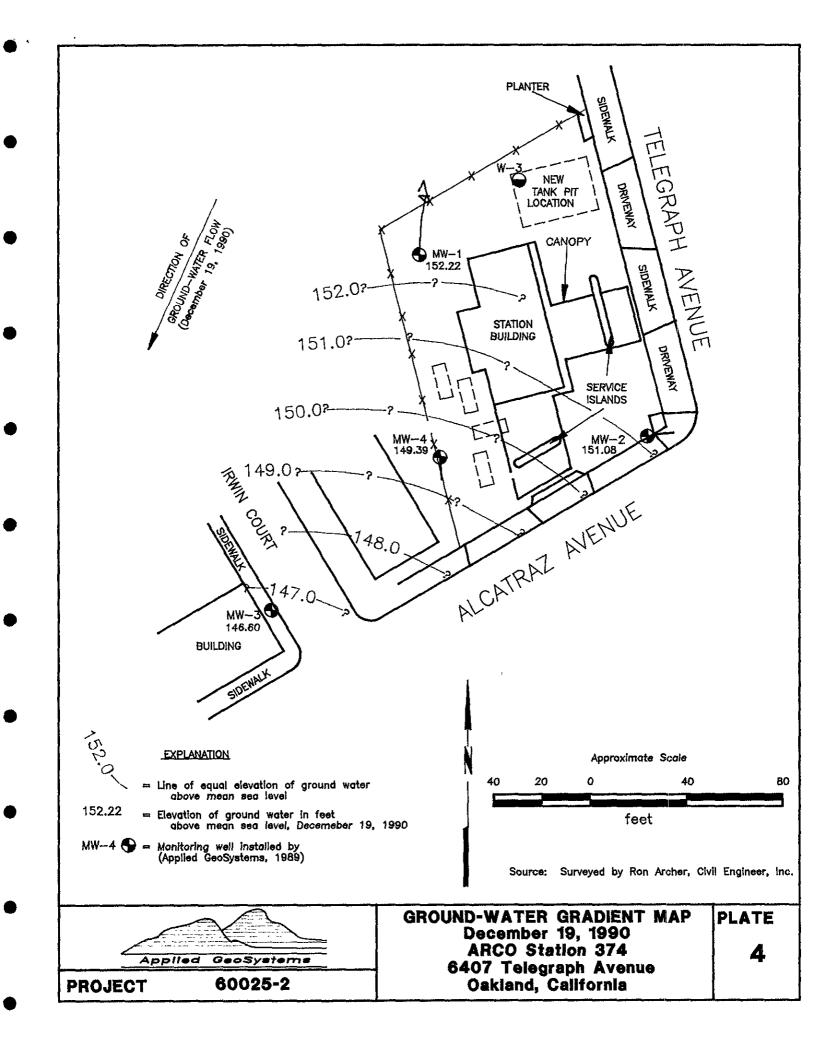


TABLE 1
CUMULATIVE GROUND-WATER MONITORING DATA
ARCO Station 374
Oakland, California

Date Well Measured	Well Elevation	Depth to Water	Water Elevation	Floating Product	
MW-1					
07/20/89		8.04	151.40	None	
08/30/89		8.47	150.97	None	
10/04/89	159.44	8,50	150.94	None	
01/10/90		6.74	152.70	None	
08/07/90		6.87	152.57	None	
12/06/90		7.35	152.09	None	
12/19/90		7.22	152.22	None	
MW-2					
07/20/89		8.15	150.31	None	
08/30/89		8.42	150.04	None	
10/04/89	158.46	8.40	150.06	None	
01/10/90		6.12	152.34	None	
08/07/90		6.35	152.11	Odor	
12/06/90		7.15	151.31	Odor	
12/19/90		7.38	151.08	Odor	
MW-3					
07/20/89		7.58	146.60	None	
08/30/89		8.00	146.18	None	
10/04/89	154.18	7.73	146.45	Emulsion	
01/10/90		7.78	146.40	Odor	
08/07/90		7.66	146.52	Odor	
12/06/90		7.75	146.43	Odor	
12/19/90		7.58	146.60	Odor	
MW-4					
07/20/89		8.09	148.99	None	
08/30/89		8.45	148.63	Sheen	
10/04/89	157.08	8.57	148.51	Sheen/Emulsion	
01/10/90		7.26	149.82	Odor	
08/07/90		6.87	150.21	Odor	
12/06/90		8.02*	149.06*	Product Sheen	
12/19/90		7.69	149.39	Odor	

Elevations and DTW measured in feet.

^{* =} Floating Product.

TABLE 2
CUMULATIVE RESULTS OF LABORATORY ANALYSES OF WATER SAMPLES
ARCO Service Station 374
Oakland, California

Date/Well	ТРНg	TPHd	В	Т	E	X	TOO
MW-1		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·					
07/21/89	33	NA	0.77	1.6	1.5	5.0	NA
08/30/89	< 20	NA	< 0.50	< 0.50	< 0.50	< 0.50	NA
10/04/89	< 20	NA	< 0.50	< 0.50	< 050	< 0.50	NA
01/10/90	<20	NA	< 0.50	< 0.50	< 0.50	< 0.50	NA
08/07/90	< 20	NA	< 0.50	< 0.50	< 0.50	< 0.50	NA
12/06/90	<50	NA	3.6	2.7	0.6	5.8	NA
MW-2							
07/21/89	4200	NA	280	210	38	24	NA
08/30/89	4200	NA	160	260	45	240	NA
10/04/89	4300	NA	860	300	29	330	N/
01/10/90	8000	NA	890	710	120	760	NA
08/07/90	6000	NA	880	76	25	80	NA
12/06/90	1600	NA	330	69	18	63	N/
MW-3							
07/21/89	430	NA	9	4.8	< 0.50	50	NA
08/30/89	1200	NA	85	46	8.4	55	N/
10/04/89	7000	NA	580	900	120	670	N/
01/10/90	940	NA	130	59	21	73	N/
08/07/90	2300	NA	180	64	59	120	NA
12/06/90	460	350	52	55	14	39	N/
<u>MW-4</u>							
07/21/89	8700	NA	720	360	120	640	NA
08/30/89	7300	NA	630	220	72	320	NA
10/04/89	21000	NA	2300	1300	280	1300	NA
01/10/90	4300	NA	470	250	63	430	NA
08/07/90	69000	28000	8700	4200	540	4600	< 5000
12/06/90	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

Date/Well HALOGENATED VOLATILE ORGANICS

<u>MW-4</u>

07/31/90

Nondetectable for thirty one compounds tested

(<1 ppb)

Results in micrograms per liter (ug/L) = parts per billion (ppb).

TPHg: Total petroleum hydrocarbons as gasoline by EPA method 5030/8015.

TPHd: Total petroleum hydrocarbons as diesel by EPA method 3510/8015.

B: Benzene, T: Toluene, E: Ethylbenzene, T: Total Xylene isomers

BTEX: Measured by EPA method 8020/602.

TOG: Total oil and grease measured by Standard Method 503A/E.

<: Results reported as less than the detection limit.

NA: Not analyzed

Halogenated Volatile Organics measured by EPA method 601/8010.

APPENDIX A

GROUND-WATER SAMPLING PROTOCOL

The static water level in each well that contained water was measured with a Solinst® water-level indicator; this instrument is accurate to the nearest 0.01 foot. These ground-water depths were subtracted from wellhead elevations measured in 1989 by Ron Archer, Civil Engineer, Inc., of Pleasanton, California, a licensed land surveyor, to calculate the differences in ground-water elevations.

Water samples collected for subjective evaluation were collected by gently lowering approximately half the length of a clean Teflon® bailer past the air-water interface (if possible) and collecting a sample from near the surface of the water in the well. The samples were checked for measurable floating hydrocarbon product and sheen.

Before water samples were collected from the ground-water monitoring wells, the wells were purged until stabilization of the temperature, Ph, and conductivity was obtained. Approximately 7 to 8 well casing volumes of water were purged before these characteristics stabilized. The quantity of water purged from the wells was calculated as follows:

1 well casing volume = $\pi r^2 h(7.48)$ where:

r = radius of the well casing in feet.

h = column of water in the well in feet

(well depth - depth to water).

7.48 = conversion constant from cubic feet to gallons

gallons of water purged/gallons in 1 well casing volume = well casing volumes removed.

After purging, each well was allowed to recharge to at least 80% of the approximate initial water level. Water samples were then collected with an Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) approved Teflon® bailer which had been cleaned with Alconox® and deionized water. The water samples were carefully poured into 40-milliliter glass vials, which were filled so as to produce a positive meniscus. Each sample container was preserved with hydrochloric acid, sealed with a cap containing a Teflon® septum, and subsequently examined for air bubbles to avoid headspace which would allow volatilization to occur. The samples were promptly transported in iced storage in a thermally-insulated ice chest, accompanied by a Chain of Custody Record, to a California-certified laboratory.

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Well No.MW-1

Time Started 1:05

Time (hr)	Gallons (cum.)	Temp. (F)	рН	Conduct. (micromhos)
1:05	Begin pu	mping well	L MW-1	
1:10	1	68.7	7.47	10.37
1:30	14	64.8	7.04	9.45
1:45	26	64.4	7.03	8.8
2:00	35	66.1	7.43	9.55
2:10	39	64.7	7.33	9.86
2:16	42	64.6	7.32	9.57
2:30	49	63.5	7.46	9.89
2:45	53	63.1	6.66	9.42
3:00	60	63.1	5.96	8.89
3:15	64	63.1	5.81	8.51
3:30	68	61.9	5.65	8.48
3:45	72	61.2	6.18	8.44

Notes:

Depth to Bottom (feet): 26.85 Depth to Water - initial (feet): 7.35 Depth to Water - final (feet): 11.64

% recovery : 78.0 Time Sampled: 6:45

Gallons per Well Casing Volume : 50.38

Gallons Purged : 72 Well Casing Volumes Purged : 1.54 Approximate Pumping Rate (gpm): 0.45

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Well No.MW-1

Time Started 1:05

			(micromhos)
74	60.8	6.19	8.44
76	59.4	6.78	8.21
77	61.1	7.26	8.44
	76	76 59.4 77 61.1	76 59.4 6.78

Notes:

Depth to Bottom (feet): 26.85

Depth to Water - initial (feet): 7.35

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Well No.MW-2

Time Started 1:35

Time (hr)	Gallons (cum.)	Temp. (F)	рн	Conduct. (micromhos)								
1:35	Begin p	Begin pumping well MW-2										
1:40	5	5 66.5 6.82 11.45										
1:49	10	68.2	6.82	11.92								
1:54	15	67.7	6.81	11.68								
1:58	20	68.2	6.81	11.78								
2:01	30	66.9	6.83	12.40								
2:07	40	66.1	7.00	11.41								
2:15	50	65.0	7.07	10.82								
2:25	70	65.3	7.07	9.76								
2:35	90	66.5		9.93								
2:47	105	66.5		9.99								
2:48	Well dry, stop pumping.											

Notes:

Depth to Bottom (feet): 26.39

Depth to Water - initial (feet): 7.15 Depth to Water - final (feet): 8.88

% recovery : 91.0

Time Sampled: 4:30 Gallons per Well Casing Volume: 49.7

Gallons Purged :105

Well Casing Volumes Purged : 2.1
Approximate Pumping Rate (gpm) : 0.79

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Well No.MW-3

Time Started 3:10

Time (hr)	Gallons (cum.)	Temp. (F)	Нф	Conduct. (micromhos)							
3:10	Begin p	Begin pumping well MW-3									
3:12	5	66.4	5.22	7.39							
3:15	15	65.1	5.15	7.46							
3:22	25	64.4	5.44	7.12							
3:30	35	61.5	5.36	7.52							
3:31	3:31 Well dry, stop pumping.										

Notes:

Depth to Bottom (feet): 26.90 Depth to Water - initial (feet): 7.75 Depth to Water - final (feet): 11.39

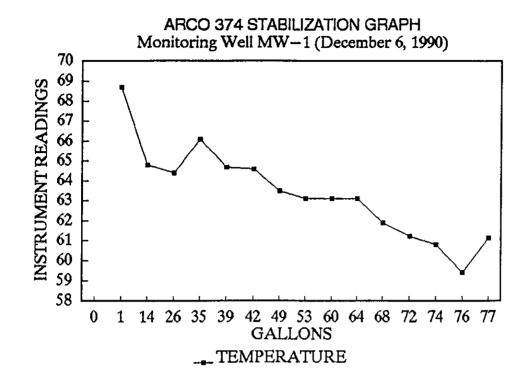
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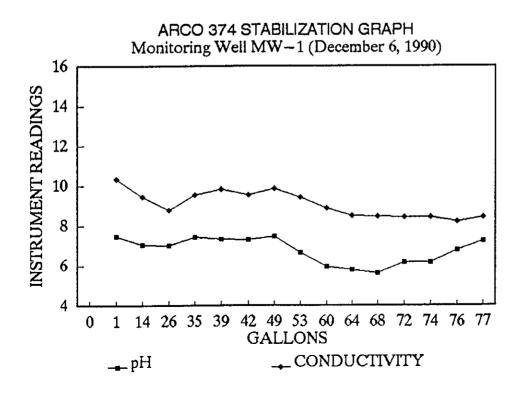
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Gallons per Well Casing Volume : 49.47

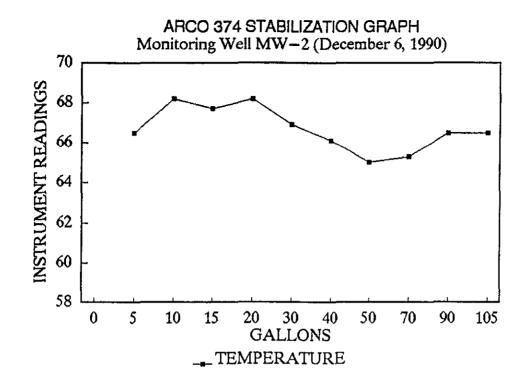
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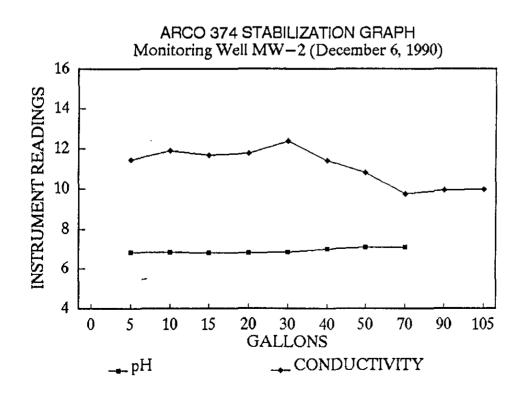
Well Casing Volumes Purged : 0.71 Approximate Pumping Rate (gpm): 1.9



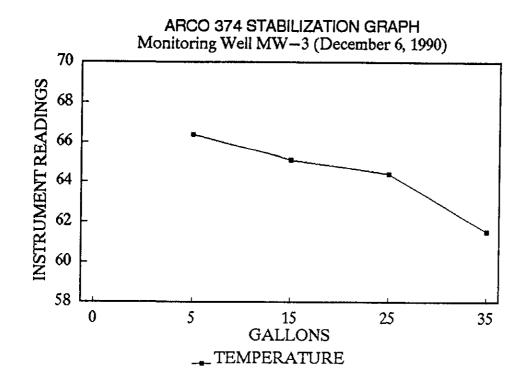


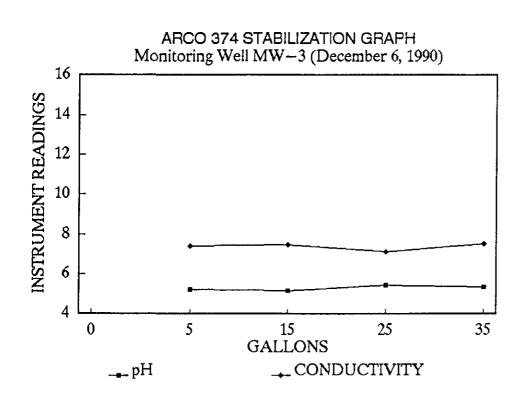
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ANALYSIS REPORT

Attention: Project:	Appl 3315 San J	Mike Barmin ied GeoSyste Almaden Ex Jose, CA 951 60025-1	ems pressway	Date Sampled: 12-06-90 Date Received: 12-07-90 BTEX Analyzed: 12-18-90 TPHg Analyzed: 12-18-90 TPHd Analyzed: 12-14-90 Matrix: Water						
Detection L	_imit:	Benzene ppb 0.5	Toluene ppb 0.5	Ethyl- benzene ppb 0.5	Total Xylenes ppb 0.5	TPHg <u>ppb</u> 50	TPHd <u>ppb</u> 100			
SAMPLE Laboratory Ide	entificati	ion								
W-8-MW2 W1012108		330	69	18	63	1600	NR			
W-11-MW3 W1012109		52	55	14	39	460	350			
W-11-MW1 W1012110		3.6	2.7	0.6	5.8	ND	NR			

ppb = parts per billion = μ g/L = micrograms per liter.

ND = Not detected. Compound(s) may be present at concentrations below the detection limit.

NR = Analysis not requested.

ANALYTICAL PROCEDURES

BTEX—Benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, and total xylene isomers (BTEX) are measured by extraction using EPA Method 5030 followed by analysis using EPA Method 8020/602, which utilizes a gas chromatograph (GC) equipped with a photoionization detector (PID) and a flame-ionization detector (FID) in series.

TPHg-Total petroleum hydrocarbons as gasoline (low-to-medium boiling points) are measured by extraction using EPA Method 5030, followed by analysis using modified EPA Method 8015, which utilizes a GC equipped with an FID.

TPHd-Total petroleum hydrocarbons as diesel (high boiling points) are measured by extraction using EPA Method 3550 for soils and EPA Method 3510/for water followed by modified EPA Method 8015 with direct sample injection into a GC equipped with an FID.

Laboratory Representative

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