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Mr. Earl Shank
674 Victoria Court
San Leandro CA 94577

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH
Hazardous Materials Division
80 Swan Way, Rm. 200
Oakland, CA 94621
(510) 271-4320

Re: Closure of Home Heating Fuel Tank at 6159 Acacia, Oakland Hills, CA 94618

Dear Mr. Shank:

This letter is to inform you of your options regarding the removal of the home heating fuel tank at the above residence. Presently home heating fuel tanks are exempted from permit requirements. As such, these tanks are not under the County's regulatory guidance. Our role at this time remains unclear and the Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) has yet to clarify their position in this matter. Clearly though, the removal of your home heating fuel tank and proper disposal of the tank and all contaminated soils is necessary and all documentation should be kept.

Upon inspection at the tank removal, it was noticed that the tank had several holes on its bottom. In addition, there was some fuel odor in the soil underneath the tank. Our office requests the overexcavation of the soils underneath the tank to a depth of one to two feet and the sampling of the soil underneath. The soil sample should be analyzed for Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons as diesel (TPHd) and Benzene, Toluene, Ethyl Benzene and Xylenes, (BTEX). Should you desire to receive County guidance and sight clearance you may submit the results to our office and obtain our recommendations. Such actions, currently not required, will be necessary to prove no environmental impact to any future buyer of this property. Significant cost savings would be gained by sampling now as opposed to in the future.

You may contact me at (510) 271-4320, should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Barney M. Chan". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Barney M. Chan
Hazardous Materials Specialist