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Subject: RO175 - Foothill Mini Mart
Entry Type: Phone call

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I received a call from Dilan Radke, attorney representing the property owner at 6620 Foothill Blvd, the adjoining property to fuel leak case RO175- Foothill Mini Mart located at 6600 Foothill Blvd. Mr. Radke called with regard to the potential CUF closure of Foothill Mini Mart and to ask if I was aware of the report which identifies his clients property as a former gas station. Mr. Radke indicated parties associated with Foothill Mini Mart identified his clients property as a former gas station. I informed him I am unaware of any report indicating his clients property as a former gas station. Mr. Radke said he had spoken with Mr. Bob Trommer with the CUF. Mr. Trommer informed him there were two plumes, the source of one being 6600 Foothill Blvd. and the other from at 6620 Foothill Blvd. The CUF was considering closing the 6600 Foothill Blvd. case. Mr. Radke asked if the County would step in and require an investigation of the 6620 Foothill Blvd. plume. I said I could not give him an answer - that was a matter to be taken up with my superiors. He asked about what happens if the State closes RO175. I said the case is closed - the County (LOP) will have no further action with the case unless a new release occurs, but as an active gas station it would be inspected by Oakland CUPA.

Mr. Radke speculated as to the source of the second plume. He said his client has owned the property since the early 1970s and has no knowledge of a gas station having occupied the property. He stated that MTBE found in groundwater from monitoring wells on his clients property indicates a more recent release than one from a pre-1970s station. I agreed the presence of MTBE would suggest a later release. I said that historical research, possibly a Phase I environmental site assessment, should put the station presence/absence issue to rest and that historical research may provide information regarding other types of fueling activities that may have occurred at his clients property.