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QUALITY CONTROL BOARD

LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

TO: Mr. M. Hossain Kazemi  
Regional Water Quality Control Board  
San Francisco Bay Region  
1111 Jackson Street, Room 6040  
Oakland, California 94607

DATE: September 15, 1989  
PROJECT Plaza Car Wash  
SCI JOB NUMBER: 549.001

Surface Water Contamination Mitigation

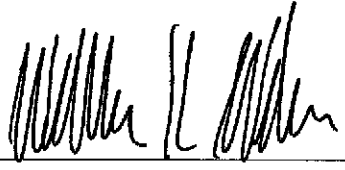
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- of our final report
- a draft of our report
- a Service Agreement
- a proposed scope of services
- specifications
- grading/foundation plans
- soil samples/groundwater samples
- an executed contract
- the letter you requested

- if you have any questions, please call
- for your review and comment
- please return an executed copy
- for geotechnical services
- with our comments
- with Chain of Custody documents
- for your use

REMARKS: Mr. Murray Stevens, the owner of Plaza Car Wash, is out-of-town and unavailable to send the attached letter to you, appended to his own transmittal. The letter has been reviewed by his attorney, Mr. Craig Johns of Crosby, Heafey, Roach & May. We are sending the letter to you, with Mr. John's approval, in order that you can review and approve the proposed mitigation method prior to the start of work.

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Mr. Craig Johns, Crosby, Heafey, Roach & May  
Mr. Murray Stevens, Kamur Industries

BY:   
William K. Wikander

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Consultation  
Surface Water Contamination Mitigation  
Plaza Car Wash  
400 San Pablo Avenue  
Albany, California

Dear Mr. Stevens:

This letter presents results of our consultation regarding mitigation of contaminated water entering El Cerrito Creek at the subject site. Our previous consultations regarding the site were recorded in letters dated August 22 and September 1, 1989.

Based upon groundwater level measurements from monitoring wells that have been installed at the site, the direction of groundwater flow is about south 65 to 80 degrees west with about a 1 percent gradient. The approximate storm drain location is shown on Plate 1; it is about 2 feet below the groundwater level encountered in the monitoring wells. Storm drains are often constructed with relatively permeable backfill and with unsealed joints. It is likely that the storm drain is acting as a subsurface drain, lowering the groundwater level in the area. We judge that the contaminated groundwater is also flowing toward the stormdrain, entering through joints and exiting into El Cerrito Creek.

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Based upon the results of a recently completed soil gas study, contaminated soil/water appears to be located along the north about 60 feet of the storm drain. We understand that the Albany Fire Department viewed the storm drain interior using a video camera. Product was only observed to enter the storm drain north of the manhole, which is located about 90 feet from the creek. Based upon the soil gas and video studies, we judge that contaminated water does not appear to be entering the storm drain south of the manhole.

In order to mitigate the discharge of free and dissolved product into El Cerrito Creek, we recommend that the storm drain joints be sealed so that subsurface water cannot enter. We judge that the Cues Joint Sealing System described in the attached brochure is an acceptable method for sealing the joints.

We understand that the joints will be sealed starting Tuesday, September 19, 1989, by Pacific Pipeline Survey. The pipe will first be swabbed, then cleaned using high-pressure water spray. If contaminated soil is removed from the pipe, it will be stockpiled for later proper disposal. The pipe rinse water will be allowed to flow into the creek after free product is removed. After cleaning, each pipeline joint north of the manhole will be injected with grout and tested for a tight seal. After construction, samples of water from the storm drain outlet should be analytically tested weekly for total volatile hydrocarbons (TVH). If no TVH is detected for at least 4 weeks, the sampling/testing intervals should be reduced to quarterly. If significant TVH is still detected, additional mitigations may be necessary.

Although the discharge of product/contaminated water into El Cerrito Creek should be substantially mitigated using the above recommendations, contaminated soil and groundwater will still remain at the site. Further investigation will be necessary in order to develop plans to mitigate these problems.

We recommend that this letter be submitted to the RWQCB, Alameda County Health Care Services Agency and Bay Area Air Quality Management District.

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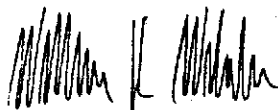
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Yours very truly,

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R. William Rudolph  
Geotechnical Engineer 741 (expires 12/31/92)



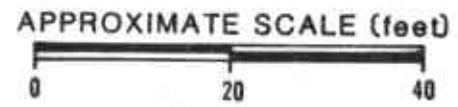
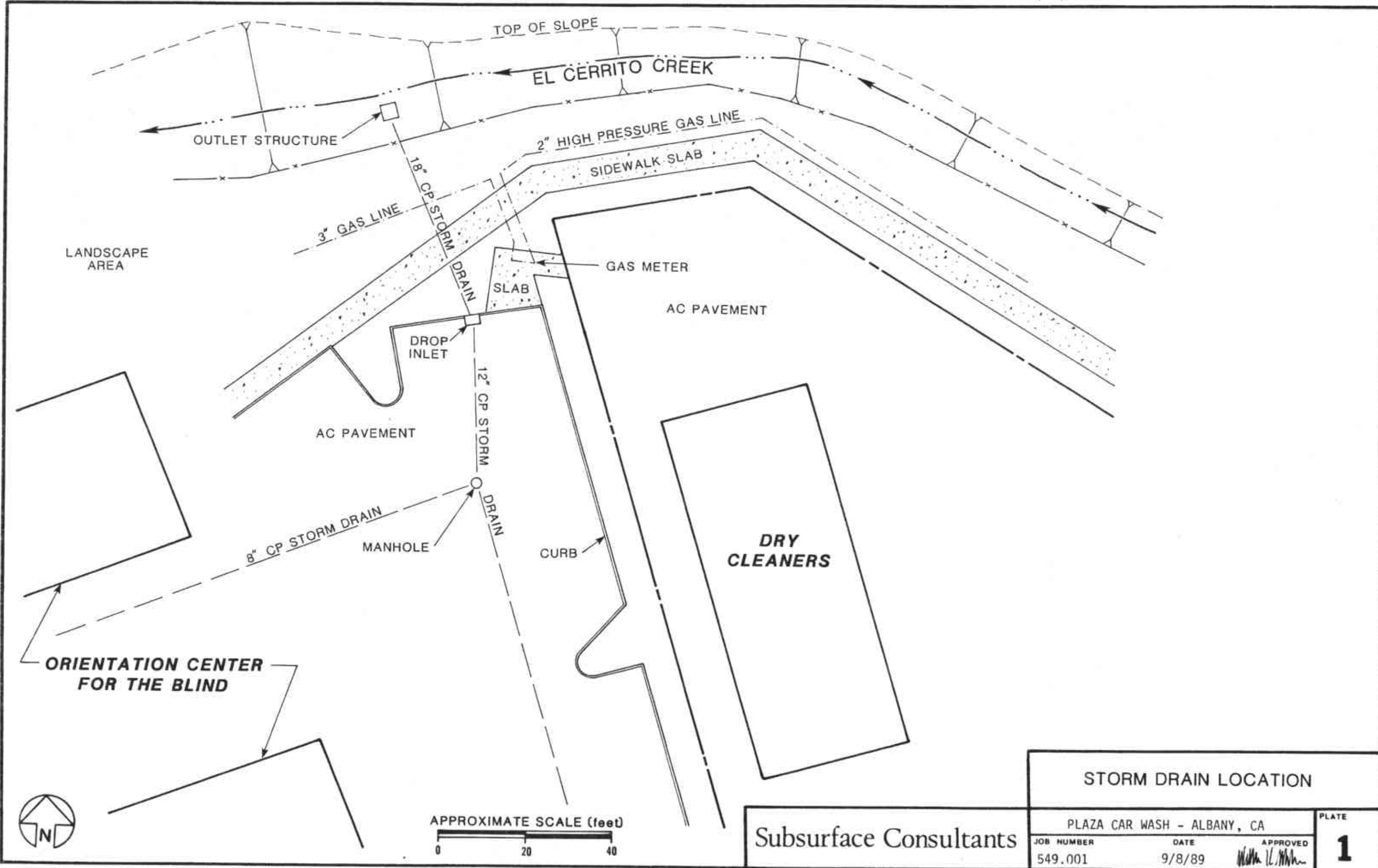
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Attachments: Plate 1 - Storm Drain Location  
Cues Brochure

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<b>STORM DRAIN LOCATION</b>		
PLAZA CAR WASH - ALBANY, CA		
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		<b>PLATE 1</b>

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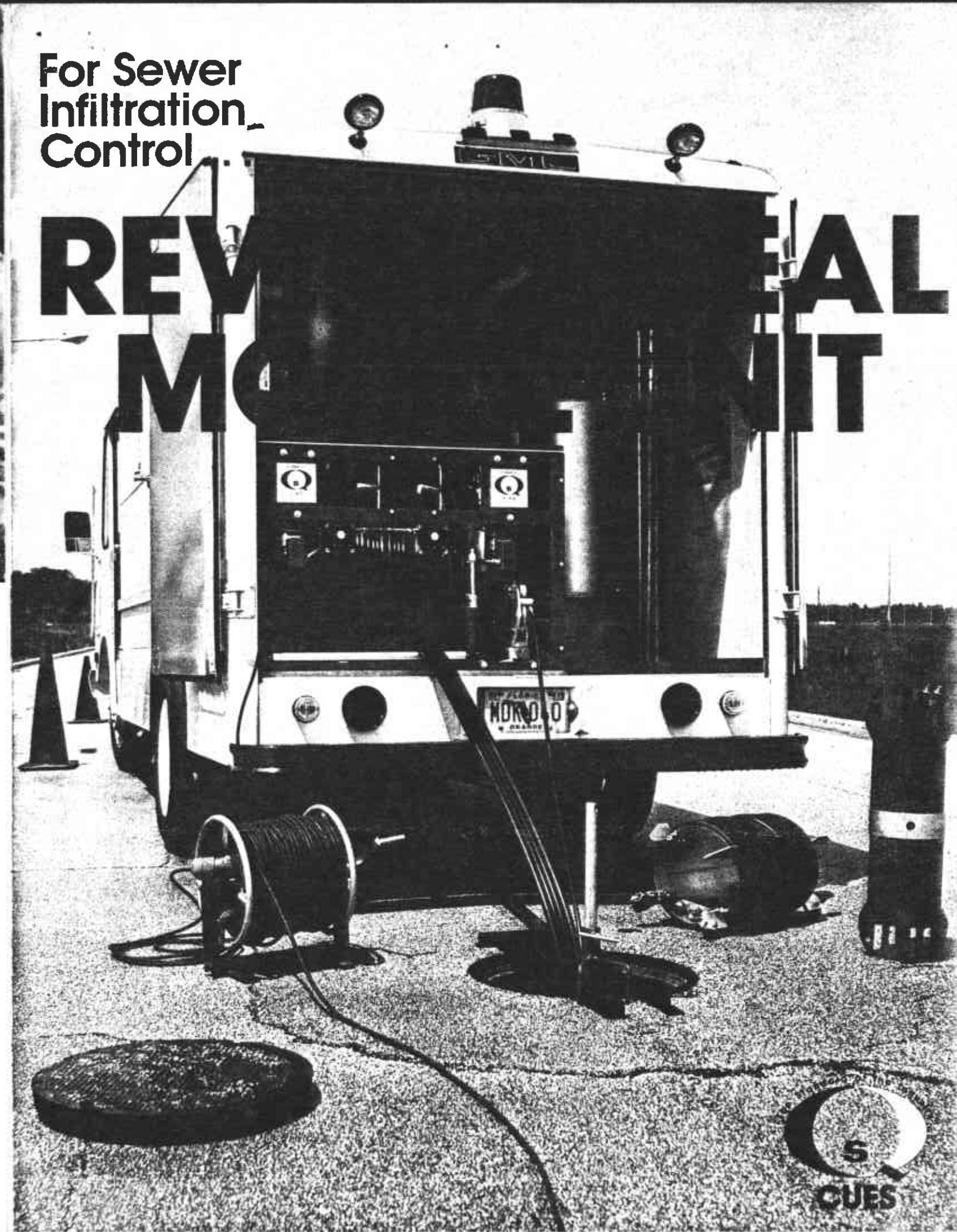
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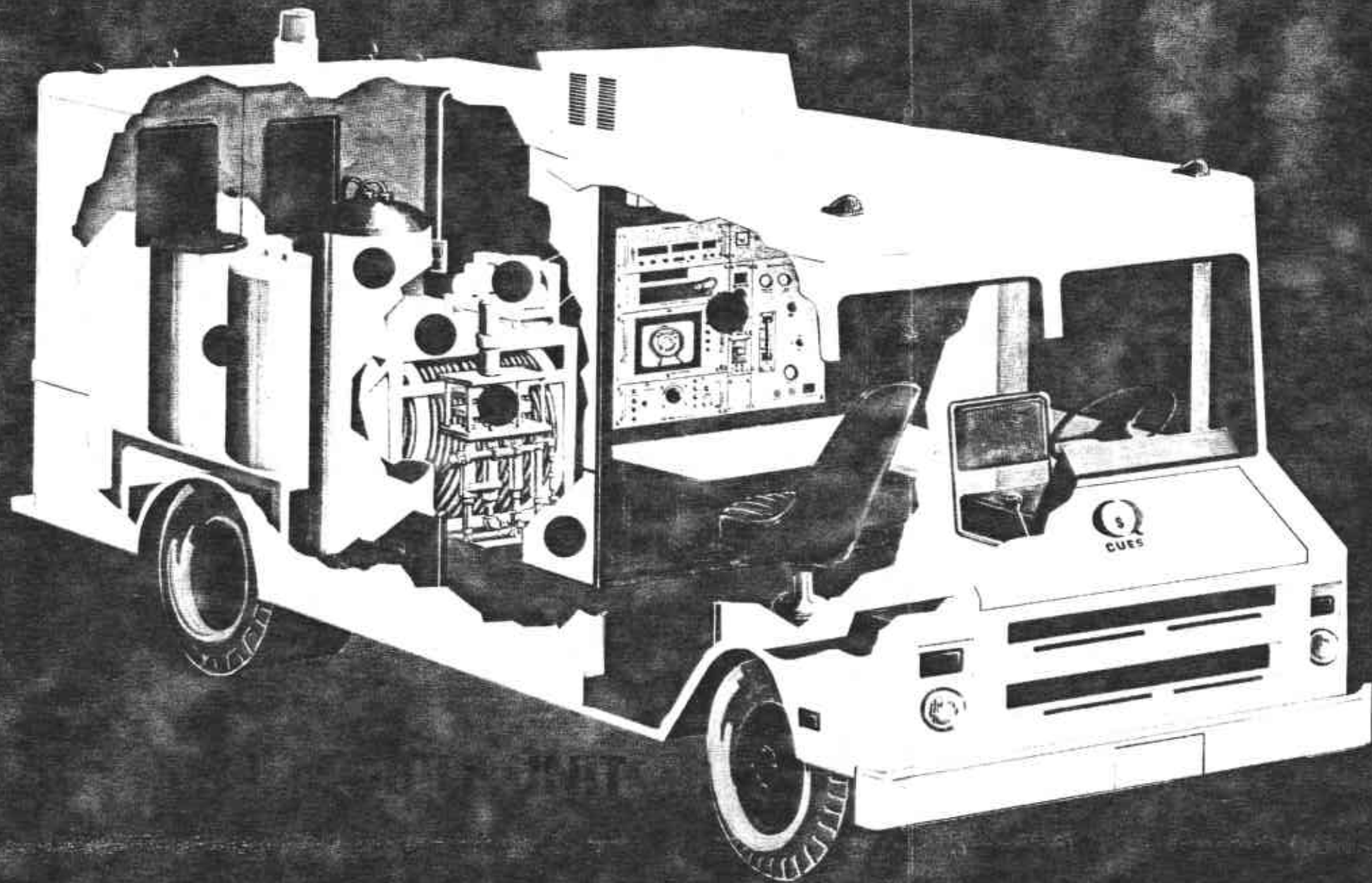


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