

October 8, 2007

Project No.: 015-01-032

Mr. Jerry Wickham Alameda County Environmental Health Services 1131 Harbor Bay Parkway, Suite 250 Alameda, California 94502

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Alameda County Environmental Health

SUBJECT: Submittal of Soil Vapor Extraction Data for Fuel Leak Case No. RO0000324, Livermore Gas and Mini Mart, 160 Holmes Street, Livermore, California

Dear Mr. Wickham:

On behalf of the Responsible Party (RP), Allterra Environmental, Inc. (Allterra) has prepared this letter to provide Alameda County Environmental Health Services (County) with data collected from recent soil vapor extraction (SVE) activities completed at the above-referenced site (Site). A brief description of recent SVE field activities and resulting data are provided below.

### Rationale for SVE Activities

The County suspects that a significant contaminant source remains in soil beneath the Site in the suspected "smear-zone" between depths of 24 and 30 feet below ground surface (bgs). Allterra concurs with the County's conclusion. However, existing site investigation and pilot testing data (including SVE data) is insufficient to determine which remedial technology is most appropriate for addressing smear zone soil contamination.

Allterra determined that another SVE test was warranted for two reasons: 1) well EW-3 was installed with a screen interval from 25 to 30 feet bgs, which spans the targeted smear zone; and 2) water levels are the lowest they have been in at least 5 years, which could allow the sandy clay smear zone to dry out and provide increased vapor flow rates. Therefore, in order to take advantage of well EW-3's ideal screen interval and the depressed water table, Allterra completed a short-term (3 hours) SVE pilot test at well EW-3. The results were positive and a description is provided below.

### SVE Field Operations and Data Collection

On September 27, 2007, Allterra personnel performed a short-term SVE pilot test using well EW-3. The SVE test was completed using a generator, a vacuum blower with a wellhead adaptor, vapor phase carbon filters for abatement, a vacuum gauge, and an anemometer. During testing, Allterra personnel recorded vacuum and soil vapor flow rates measurements from well EW-3. Additionally, three soil vapor samples were collected from the influent vapor stream. Influent vapor samples were collected at SVE test startup (EW-3-0), after 1.5 hours of operation (EW-3-1.5) and after 2.5 hours (EW-3-2.5). Vapor samples were collected in Tedlar bags from an influent vapor stream sample port. Field logs from pilot testing activities are included as Appendix A.

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### Laboratory Analyses

Vapor samples collected during pilot testing activities were submitted under chain-of-custody protocol to McCampbell Analytical, Inc. (DHS Certification #1644) of Pacheco, California. Vapor samples were analyzed for total petroleum hydrocarbons as gasoline (TPHg) by EPA Method 8015Cm and benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, xylenes (BTEX) and methyl tertiary butyl ether (MTBE) by EPA Method 8021B. Certified laboratory reports with chain of custody documentation for the vapor samples are included in Appendix B.

### **SVE Pilot Test Results**

### Soil Vapor Extraction

During the pilot test, an induced vacuum ranging from 64.4 to 65.1 inches of  $H_2O$  was observed at well EW-3, resulting in an average flow rate of 131 standard cubic feet per minute (scfm). Soil vapor flow rates and data are presented in Table 1A.

### Vapor Analytical Data

Influent vapor sample analytical results from EW-3 indicated TPHg levels up to 72,000 milligrams per cubic meter (mg/m³), benzene levels up to 630 mg/m³ and MTBE at levels up to 8,600 mg/m³. Soil vapor analytical results are presented in Table 1B and the certified analytical results and chain of custody documentation are included as Appendix B.

### Contaminant Mass Removal Estimate

Based on the average vapor extraction rate and the average influent vapor concentrations, approximately 94 pounds of TPHg, 0.80 pounds of benzene, and 10 pounds of MTBE were removed from EW-3 during the 3-hour test. The test data extrapolated to a 24-hour period results in daily mass removal estimates of approximately 750 pounds per day (ppd) for TPHg, 6.4 ppd for benzene, and 80 ppd for MTBE.

### Conclusions and Recommendations

Based on the results of SVE testing, Allterra concludes the following:

- Water levels beneath the Site are the lowest they have been in at least 5 years.
- SVE flow rates and contaminant levels were conducive for soil vapor extraction.
- With its screen interval from 25 to 30 feet bgs, well EW-3 is ideal for using vapor extraction to target the contaminated smear zone.
- Allterra recommends taking advantage of the low water levels by starting an interim SVE and abatement program.



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### Limitations

Allterra prepared this report for the use of Livermore Gas and Mini Mart and Alameda County in evaluating groundwater quality at selected on-site locations at the time of this study. Statements, conclusions, and recommendations in this report are based solely on the field observations and analytical results related to work performed by Allterra and there is no warranty, expressed or implied. Site conditions and data can change over time; therefore, data presented in this report is only applicable to the timeframe of this study. Allterra's services have been performed in accordance with environmental principles generally accepted at this time and location.

Should you have any questions, please contact Allterra at (831) 425-2608.

Sincerely,

Allterra Environmental, Inc.

James Allen, R.E.A.II

Project Manager

Attachments:

Figure 1, Site Vicinity Map

Figure 2, Site Plan

Table 1A, Soil Vapor Extraction Pilot Test Data for EW-3

Table 1B, Soil Vapor Analytical Results for EW-3

Table 2, SVE Contaminant Mass Removal Data

APPENDIX A, Field Data Sheet

APPENDIX B, Certified Analytical Report and Chain of Custody

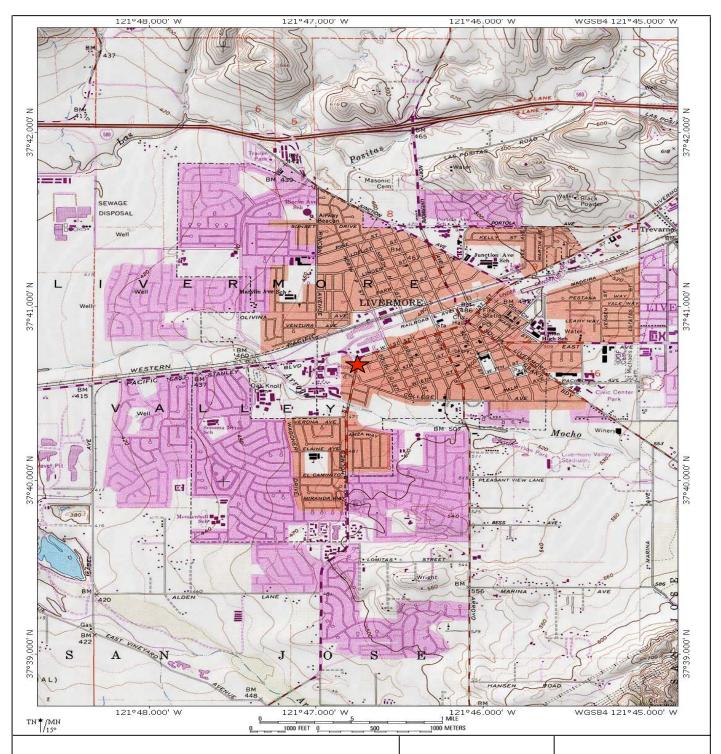
cc: Jerry Wickham, ACEHS

Senior Geologist

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# FIGURES 1-2



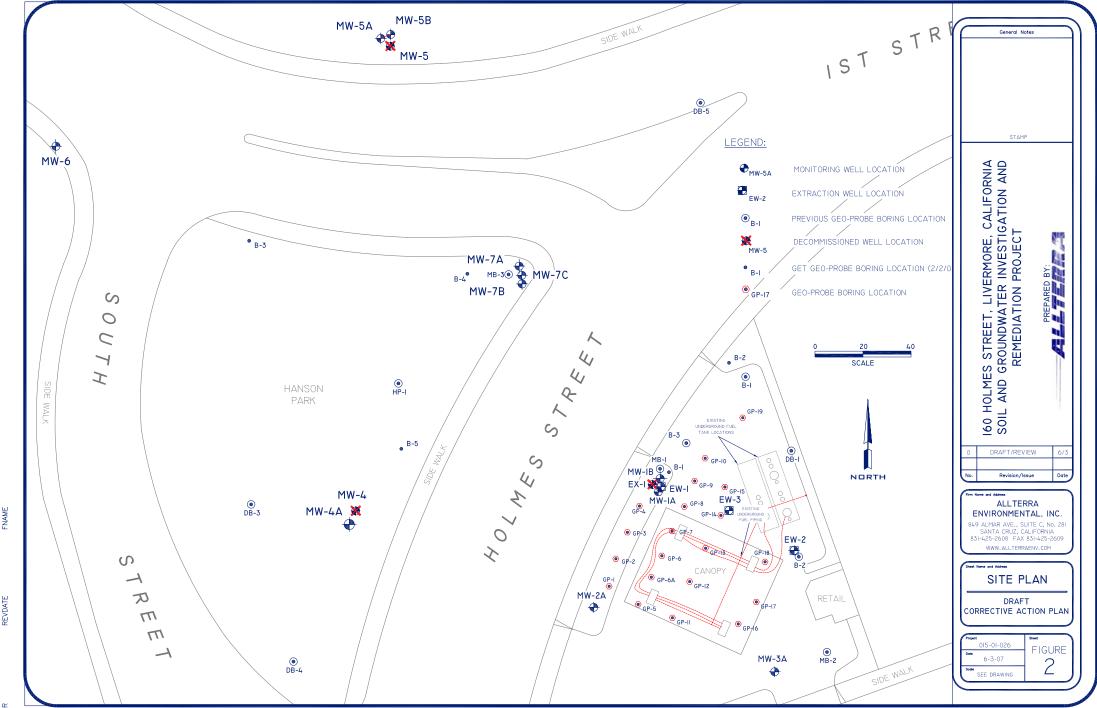
## Vicinity Map

Livermore Gas and Mini-mart 160 Holmes Street Livermore, California Figure 1

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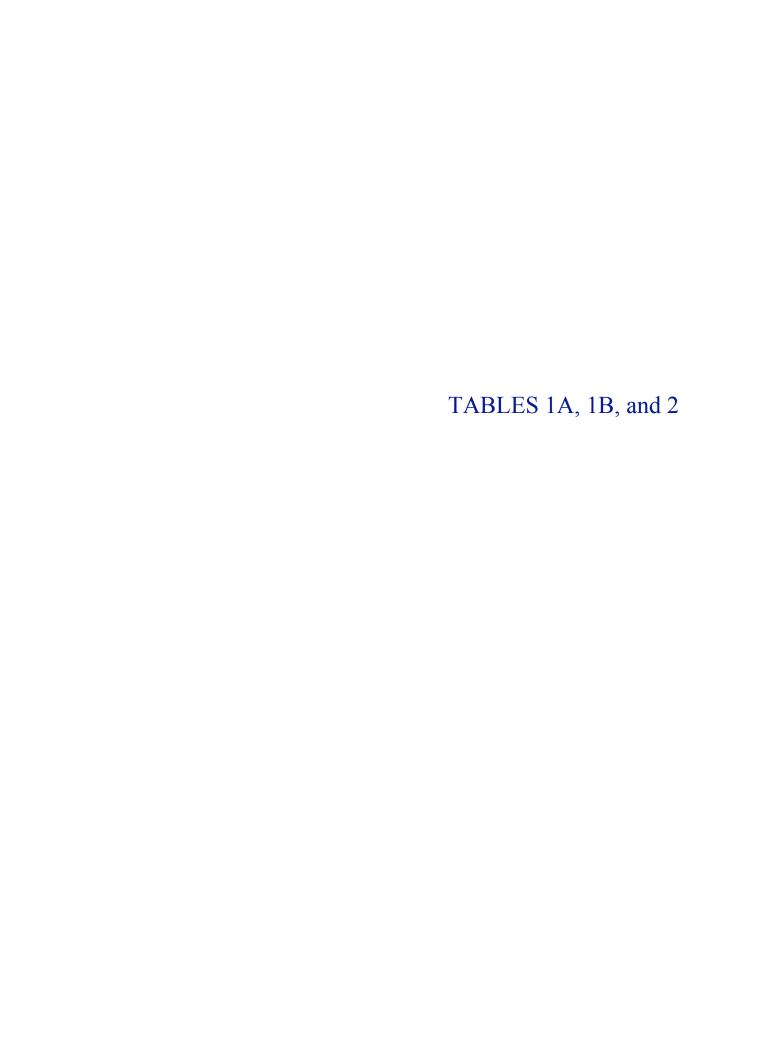


Table 1A
Soil Vapor Extraction Pilot Test Data for EW-3

160 Holmes Street, Livermore, California

Well ID	Well Casing Diameter (inches)	Time	Soil Vapor Flow Rate (ft/min)	Soil Vapor Flow Rate (scfm)	Average Vacuum (Inches of Water)
EW-3	4.0	11:00	6,000	131	-64.4
EW-3	4.0	12:30	6,000	131	-65.1
EW-3	4.0	1:30	6,000	131	-64.9

Notes:

scfm: standard cubic feet per minute

ft/min = feet per minute

Table 1B
Soil Vapor Analytical Results for EW-3
160 Holmes Street, Livermore, California

Sample ID	Test Hour	Date	Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons as	Aromati	c Volatile O	rganic Comp	oounds	MTBE
			Gasoline	Benzene	Toluene	Ethyl- benzene	Xylenes	
EW-3-0 EW-3-1.5 EW-3-2.5	0 1.5 2.5	9/27/07 9/27/07 9/27/07	72,000 61,000 59,000	630 520 490	1,800 1,800 1,800	280 260 280	560 580 680	8,600 5,600 6,700

### Notes:

Sampes analyzed for Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons as Gasoline by EPA Method 8015CM and benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, and xylenes and MTBE by EPA Method 8021B

All concentrations listed in micrograms per liter (mg/m3)

MTBE = methyl tertiary butyl ether

For sample results in ppmv see lab report in Appendix B

# **Table 2 SVE Contaminant Mass Removal Data**

160 Holmes Street, Livermore, California

Date	Influer	nt Concent	ration*	Total Cubic Feet	Mass Removed (pounds)					
Date	ТРНд	Benzene	MTBE	Processed**	TPHg	Benzene	MTBE			
9/27/07	64,000	547	6,967	23,580	94	0.80	10			

### **Definitions and Notes:**

All concentrations listed in micrograms per liter (mg/m3)

All masses listed in pounds (lb)

TPHg = total petroleum hydrocarbons as gasoline

MTBE = methyl tertiary butyl ether

<sup>\* =</sup> average concentration from three influent samples

<sup>\*\* =</sup> total cubic feet processed determined by the average vapor flow rate of 131 scfm multiplied by 3 hours (test duration)

APPENDIX A Field Data Sheet



# Field Notes for 160 Holmes SVE Pilot Test From EW-3 9/27/07

\* Start: 11:00 am

\* Sample Times: 11:15, 12:30, 1:30

# Applied Vacuum | time | flow Rate -64.4 | 11315 | 6,000 -65.1 | 12:30 | 6,000 -64.9 | 1:30 | 6,000

\* Sumunding well depths @ 12:30: Mw-1A - dry

Mw-1B - 46.0

Mw-7B- 46.76

Mw-7C-46.82

# APPENDIX B Certified Analytical Report and Chain of Custody

Allterra Environmental, Inc	Client Project ID: #015-01; Livermore	Date Sampled: 09/27/07
849 Almar Ave, Ste. C #281		Date Received: 09/27/07
Santa Cruz, CA 95060	Client Contact: Erik Allen	Date Reported: 10/02/07
Sund Crdz, Cri 75000	Client P.O.:	Date Completed: 10/02/07

WorkOrder: 0709659

October 02, 2007

Dear Erik:

Enclosed are:

- 1). the results of 3 analyzed samples from your #015-01; Livermore project,
- 2). a QC report for the above samples
- 3). a copy of the chain of custody, and
- 4). a bill for analytical services.

All analyses were completed satisfactorily and all QC samples were found to be within our control limits. If you have any questions please contact me. McCampbell Analytical Laboratories strives for excellence in quality, service and cost. Thank you for your business and I look forward to working with you again.

Best regards,

Angela Rydelius, Lab Manager

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## CHAIN-OF-CUSTODY RECORD

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Prepared by: Chloe Lam

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0709659-003	EW-3-2.5		Air	9/27/2007		Α												

### Test Legend:

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The following SampIDs: 001A, 002A, 003A contain testgroup.

### **Comments:**

NOTE: Samples are discarded 60 days after results are reported unless other arrangements are made. Hazardous samples will be returned to client or disposed of at client expense.

### **Sample Receipt Checklist**

Client Name:	Allterra Environ	mental, Inc			Date and	d Time Received:	9/27/2007	5:12:35 PM
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### Gasoline Range (C6-C12) Volatile Hydrocarbons as Gasoline with BTEX and MTBE\*

Extraction method: SW5030B Analytical methods: SW8021B/8015Cm Work Order: 0709659 Lab ID Client ID Matrix TPH(g) MTBE Benzene Toluene Ethylbenzene Xylenes DF % SS 001A EW-3-0 72,000,a 8600 630 1800 100 A 280 560 96 002A EW-3-1.5 A 61,000,a 5600 520 1800 260 580 100 102 003A EW-3-2.5 Α 59,000,a 6700 490 1800 280 680 100 95 Reporting Limit for DF =1: 0.25

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<sup>+</sup>The following descriptions of the TPH chromatogram are cursory in nature and McCampbell Analytical is not responsible for their interpretation: a) unmodified or weakly modified gasoline is significant; b) heavier gasoline range compounds are significant(aged gasoline?); c) lighter gasoline range compounds (the most mobile fraction) are significant; d) gasoline range compounds having broad chromatographic peaks are significant; biologically altered gasoline?; e) TPH pattern that does not appear to be derived from gasoline (stoddard solvent / mineral spirit?); f) one to a few isolated non-target peaks present; g) strongly aged gasoline or diesel range compounds are significant; h) lighter than water immiscible sheen/product is present; i) liquid sample that contains greater than ~1 vol. % sediment; j) reporting limit raised due to high organic / MTBE content; k) TPH pattern that does not appear to be derived from gasoline (aviation gas). m) no recognizable pattern.

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Extraction method: SW5030B Analytical methods: SW8021B/8015Cm Work Order: 0709659

Client ID	Matrix	TPH(g)	MTBE	Benzene	Toluene	Ethylbenzene	Xylenes	DF	% SS
EW-3-0	A	20,000,a	2300	190	480	64	130	100	96
EW-3-1.5	A	17,000,a	1500	160	470	59	130	100	102
EW-3-2.5	A	16,000,a	1800	150	460	64	150	100	95
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ppm (mg/L) to ppmv (ul/L) conversion for TPH(g) assumes the molecular weight of gasoline to be equal to that of hexane.										
Reporting Limit for DF =1; ND means not detected at or above the reporting limit	A	7.0	0.68	0.077	0.065	0.057	0.057	1	uL/L	
	S	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	1	mg/Kg	

<sup>\*</sup> vapor samples are reported in  $\mu$ L/L, soil/sludge/solid samples in mg/kg, wipe samples in  $\mu$ g/wipe, product/oil/non-aqueous liquid samples in mg/L, water samples and all TCLP & SPLP extracts are reported in  $\mu$ g/L.

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### QC SUMMARY REPORT FOR SW8021B/8015Cm

W.O. Sample Matrix: Air/Air QC Matrix: Water WorkOrder: 0709659

EPA Method SW8021B/8015Cm Extraction SW5030B			BatchID: 30910 Spiked Sample ID: 0709645-001A						1A			
Analyte	Sample Spiked MS			MSD	MSD MS-MSD LCS LCSD LCS-LCSD Acceptance Crite					Criteria (%)		
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TPH(btex)	ND	60	101	119	16.1	99.5	100	0.663	70 - 130	30	70 - 130	30
MTBE	ND	10	102	108	5.73	104	111	6.21	70 - 130	30	70 - 130	30
Benzene	ND	10	94.2	90.7	3.81	94.3	95.1	0.803	70 - 130	30	70 - 130	30
Toluene	ND	10	86.6	92.8	7.01	104	105	1.24	70 - 130	30	70 - 130	30
Ethylbenzene	ND	10	95.6	91	4.93	102	103	0.709	70 - 130	30	70 - 130	30
Xylenes	ND	30	91.7	86.3	5.99	113	113	0	70 - 130	30	70 - 130	30
%SS:	93	10	100	107	6.33	97	96	1.14	70 - 130	30	70 - 130	30

 $All \ target \ compounds \ in \ the \ Method \ Blank \ of \ this \ extraction \ batch \ were \ ND \ less \ than \ the \ method \ RL \ with \ the \ following \ exceptions:$ 

NONE

### **BATCH 30910 SUMMARY**

Sample ID	Date Sampled	Date Extracted	Date Analyzed	Sample ID	Date Sampled	Date Extracted	Date Analyzed
0709659-001A	09/27/07	09/27/07	09/27/07 10:28 PM	0709659-001A	09/27/07	09/27/07	09/27/07 10:28 PM
0709659-002A	09/27/07	09/27/07	09/27/07 11:01 PM	0709659-002A	09/27/07	09/27/07	09/27/07 11:01 PM
0709659-003A	09/27/07	09/27/07	09/27/07 11:34 PM	0709659-003A	09/27/07	09/27/07	09/27/07 11:34 PM

MS = Matrix Spike; MSD = Matrix Spike Duplicate; LCS = Laboratory Control Sample; LCSD = Laboratory Control Sample Duplicate; RPD = Relative Percent Deviation.

% Recovery = 100 \* (MS-Sample) / (Amount Spiked); RPD = 100 \* (MS - MSD) / ((MS + MSD) / 2).

MS / MSD spike recoveries and / or %RPD may fall outside of laboratory acceptance criteria due to one or more of the following reasons: a) the sample is inhomogenous AND contains significant concentrations of analyte relative to the amount spiked, or b) the spiked sample's matrix interferes with the spike recovery.

£ TPH(btex) = sum of BTEX areas from the FID.

# cluttered chromatogram; sample peak coelutes with surrogate peak.

