



# State Water Resources Control Board



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**PRE-APPROVAL OF CORRECTIVE ACTION COSTS,  
CLAIM NO. 002255, PRE-APPROVAL REQUEST NO. 11  
SITE ADDRESS: 2345 14TH ST E, OAKLAND, CA 94606**

I have reviewed your request, received on September 2, 2009, for pre-approval of corrective action costs. I have included a copy of the "Cost Pre-Approval Request" form; please use this form in the future for requesting pre-approval of corrective action costs.

With the following provisions, the total cost pre-approved as eligible for reimbursement for completing the June 14, 2006, Cambria workplan approved by the RWQCB, Region 2 (Regional Board) in their July 7, 2006 letter, is **\$144,093**; see the table below for a breakdown of costs. (The total amount that has been reimbursed and approved for payment up to this point is \$ 615,536.)

Be aware that this pre-approval does not constitute a decision on reimbursement: **necessary** (as determined by the Fund) corrective action costs for action work **directed and approved by the Regional Board** will be eligible for reimbursement at costs consistent with those pre-approved in this letter. However, depending on what happens in the field, some costs may not actually be necessary. If the Fund agrees that they were in fact necessary, the Fund will reimburse at reasonable rates (rates consistent with those pre-approved.)

In an effort to expedite future reimbursement requests associated with the implementation of the corrective action tasks pre-approved in this letter, we ask that the attached 'Pre-Approval Specific Reimbursement Request Form' be completed, updated and submitted with each reimbursement request. All relevant supporting documentation must also be included with each reimbursement request.

***In order for future costs for corrective action to be part of the expedited reimbursement process, they must be pre-approved in writing by Fund staff.***

***All costs for corrective action must meet the requirements of Article 11, Chapter 16, Underground Storage Tank Regulations in order to be eligible for reimbursement.***

**COST PRE-APPROVAL BREAKDOWN**

#	Task*	Amount Pre-Approved	Comments
1	Purchase of a Makocat 400 - 15 HP 350 CFM unit	\$79,561	Equipment purchase - MAKOCAT 400 - 15 HP 350 CFM, Rotary cla electric Catalytic oxidizer, trailer mounted (to be used at this site and other sites within the fund without charging the site), Auto dilution valve, 2 HP transfer pump, 15 HP motor for VES, low vac switch, inlet silencers, heat exchanger, electrical panels, temperature meters controller etc. The Fund needs copies of the invoices for all equipment purchases. The UST Cleanup Fund (State) is paying for all the equipment thus it must be either returned to the State or used at other sites admitted into the Cleanup Fund without any rental/lease charges during the life of the equipment. You shall maintain the equipment in the utmost running condition. At the end of the project, if you do not have other sites, the State may ask other Claimants to pick up the equipment from your site. You shall submit details of the equipement on every reimbursement request hence forth.
2	Remediation System Installation	\$64,532	permit, PM, trenching, installation of remediation piping, utility conduits, backfilling, compacting, resurfacing, electrical service installation, compound structure and fencing, resurfacing, equipment installation, above ground piping, instruments and controls, electrical panel and connections etc. All field related costs included for the remdiation to begin once this scope of work is completed.
	<b>TOTAL PRE-APPROVED</b>	<b>\$144,093</b>	

\* Task descriptions are the same as those identified in Connestoga-Rovers & Associates's September 9, 2008 cost estimate.

- Only the tasks/costs reflected on the above table are pre-approved at this time. The Fund will review any tasks/costs that go beyond the pre-approved amount to be determined if the additional tasks and costs are necessary and reasonable. However, if costs exceed the above pre-approved amounts, the Fund will be unable to expedite your Reimbursement Request.

- The work products must be acceptable to the Regional Board.
- If a different scope of work becomes necessary, then you must request pre-approval of costs on the new scope of work.
- Although I have referred to the Connestoga-Rovers & Associates proposal in my pre-approval above, please be aware that you will be entering into a private contract: the State of California cannot compel you to sign any specific contract. This letter **pre-approves the costs** as presented in the proposal dated September 9, 2008 by Connestoga-Rovers & Associates for conducting the work approved by the Regional Board for implementing the June 14, 2006, Cambria workplan.

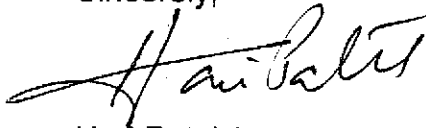
I also want to remind you that the Fund's regulations require that you obtain at least three bids, or a bid waiver from Fund staff, from qualified firms for all necessary future corrective action work. If you need assistance in procuring contractor and consultant services, don't hesitate to call me.

Please remember that it is still necessary to submit the actual costs of the work as explained in the Reimbursement Request Instructions to confirm that the costs are consistent with this pre-approval before you will be reimbursed. ***Please insure that your consultant prepares their invoices to include the required breakdown of costs on a time and materials basis, that invoiced tasks are consistent with the original proposal, and that reasonable explanations are provided for any changes made in the scope of work or increases in the costs. When the invoices are submitted you must include copies of all:***

- *subcontractor invoices,*
- *technical reports, when available, and*
- *applicable correspondence from the Regional Board.*

Please call if you have any questions; I can be reached at (916) 341-5831

Sincerely,



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