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County of Alameda  
Department of Environmental Health  
Hazardous Materials Division  
80 Swan Way, Room 200  
Oakland, California 94621

Reference: Former Shell Service Station  
461 Eighth Street  
Oakland, California  
WIC 204-5508-6200 14607

Gentlemen:

As requested by Mr. Jack Brastad of Shell Oil Company, we are forwarding a copy of the Site Update Report dated October 21, 1991. The enclosed report presents the results of the third quarter 1991 ground-water sampling at the above referenced location.

Please do not hesitate to call should you have any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John P. Werfal'.

John P. Werfal  
Project Manager

enclosure

cc: Mr. Jack Brastad, Shell Oil Company  
Mr. Tom Callaghan, Regional Water Quality Control Board



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**SITE UPDATE**

Former Shell Service Station  
461 Eighth Street  
Oakland, California  
WIC 204-5508-6200

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Shell Oil Company  
P.O. Box 5278  
Concord, California 94520

Attn: Mr. Jack Brastad

Re: SITE UPDATE  
Former Shell Service Station  
461 Eighth Street  
Oakland, California

Gentlemen:

This Site Update has been prepared by GeoStrategies Inc. (GSI) and presents the results of the 1991 third quarter ground-water sampling performed by Gettler-Ryan Inc. (G-R) for the above referenced site (Plate 1). The scope of work presented in this document was performed at the request of Shell Oil Company. Field work and laboratory analysis methods were performed to comply with current State of California Water Resources Control Board guidelines.

**SITE BACKGROUND**

There are currently three monitoring wells in the site vicinity; Wells S-4 through S-6 (Plate 2). Seven ground-water monitoring wells (S-1 through S-7) were installed in 1981 by Groundwater Technology, Inc. (GTI). In 1982, GTI installed a ground-water recovery system in Well S-1. The recovery system was subsequently turned off in August 1982. Wells S-1 through S-3, and S-7 were destroyed in 1987. Wells S-4 through S-6 are off-site. These wells were installed to evaluate the vertical and horizontal extent of petroleum hydrocarbons in soils and shallow groundwater beneath and downgradient of the site.

Quarterly monitoring and sampling of wells began in 1988. Ground-water samples have been analyzed for Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons calculated as Gasoline (TPH-Gasoline) according to EPA Method 8015 (Modified) and Benzene, Toluene, Ethylbenzene, and Xylenes (BTEX) according to EPA Method 8020.

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## CURRENT QUARTERLY SAMPLING RESULTS

### Potentiometric Data

Prior to ground-water sampling, depth to water-level measurements were obtained in each monitoring well using an electronic oil-water interface probe. Static ground-water levels were measured from the surveyed top of well box and recorded to the nearest 0.01 foot. Corresponding elevations, referenced to project site datum are presented in Table 1. Water-level data were used to construct the water level elevation map on Plate 3. **However, because insufficient water was present in Well S-4 to confirm a reliable water level, no gradient was calculated this quarter from the remaining two wells.**

### Floating Product Measurements

Each well was checked for the presence of floating product using an electronic oil-water interface probe. A clear acrylic bailer was used to confirm probe results. **Floating product was observed in Well S-5 at 0.06 feet in measured thickness.**

### Ground-water Analytical Data

Ground-water samples were collected on September 24, 1991. The samples were analyzed for TPH-Gasoline according to EPA Method 8015 (Modified) and BTEX according to EPA Method 8020 by International Technology (IT), a State of California certified laboratory located in San Jose, California.

TPH-Gasoline and benzene were detected in Well S-6 at concentrations of 42. and 14. parts per million (ppm), respectively. **Well S-4 was not sampled due to insufficient water in the casing.** These data are summarized in Table 2 and included in Appendix A. A chemical concentration map for TPH-Gasoline and benzene is presented on Plate 4. Historical chemical analytical data are presented in Table 3.

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### Quality Control

The quality control (QC) sample for this quarter's sampling was a trip blank. This sample was prepared in the laboratory using organic-free water to evaluate laboratory handling procedures of samples. The results of QC sample analyses are presented in Table 2.

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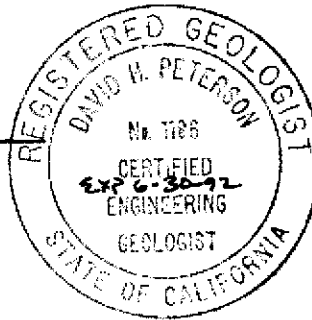
GeoStrategies Inc. by,

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*David H. Peterson*

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- Plate 1. Vicinity Map
- Plate 2. Site Plan
- Plate 3. Water Level Elevation Map
- Plate 4. TPH-Gasoline/Benzene Concentration Map

Appendix A: Analytical Laboratory Report and Chain-of-Custody

QC Review: *JR*

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TABLE 1

## FIELD MONITORING DATA

WELL NO.	MONITORING DATE	CASING DIA. (IN)	TOTAL WELL DEPTH (FT)	WELL ELEV. (FT)	DEPTH TO WATER (FT)	PRODUCT THICKNESS (FT)	STATIC WATER ELEV. (FT)	PURGED WELL VOLUMES	pH	TEMPERATURE (F)	CONDUCTIVITY ( $\mu$ MHOS/cm)
S-4	24-Sep-91	4	16.3	93.51	15.85	----	77.66	----	----	----	----
S-5	24-Sep-91	4	----	99.36	21.40	0.06	78.01	----	----	----	----
S-6	24-Sep-91	4	38.3	100.58	22.26	----	78.32	5	6.52	68.4	684

- Notes:
1. Static water elevations referenced to project datum.
  2. Physical parameter measurements represent stabilized values.
  3. Static water-levels corrected for floating product (conversion factor = 0.80).
  4. Well S-4 not sampled due to insufficient water.

TABLE 2

GROUND-WATER ANALYSIS DATA

WELL NO	SAMPLE DATE	ANALYSIS DATE	TPH-G (PPM)	BENZENE (PPM)	TOLUENE (PPM)	ETHYLBENZENE (PPM)	XYLENES (PPM)
S-6	24-Sep-91	01-Oct-91	42.	14.	4.3	1.2	4.0
TB	----	01-Oct-91	<0.05	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005

CURRENT REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD MAXIMUM CONTAMINANT LEVELS

Benzene 0.001 ppm    Xylenes 1.750 ppm    Ethylbenzene 0.680 ppm

CURRENT DHS ACTION LEVELS

Toluene 0.1000 ppm

TPH-G = Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons calculated as Gasoline

TB = Trip Blank

PPM = Parts Per Million

Note: 1. All data shown as <x are reported as ND (none detected).

2. DHS Action Levels and MCLs are subject to change pending State review.

TABLE 3

## HISTORICAL GROUND-WATER QUALITY DATABASE

SAMPLE DATE	SAMPLE POINT	TPH-G (PPM)	BENZENE (PPM)	TOLUENE (PPM)	ETHYLBENZENE (PPM)	XYLENES (PPM)
16-Apr-87	S-2	47.	8.2	4.7	----	3.1
26-Oct-88	S-4	0.13	0.0038	0.013	0.004	0.03
15-Feb-89	S-4	<0.05	0.0005	<0.001	<0.001	0.003
30-Apr-90	S-4	<0.050	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.001
27-Jun-91	S-4	<0.05	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
16-Apr-87	S-5	130.	15.	16.	----	14.
26-Oct-88	S-5	110.	20.	25.	2.3	10.
15-Feb-89	S-5	94.	16.	21.	1.8	10.
02-May-89	S-5	120.	29.	35.	3.1	15.
27-Jul-89	S-5	110.	20.	29.	2.4	14.
30-Apr-90	S-5	100.	13.	22.	2.1	11.
31-Jul-90	S-5	53.	8.3	14.	1.2	7.4
16-Apr-87	S-6	81.	16.	9.	----	6.4
26-Oct-88	S-6	110.	29.	18.	2.5	8.2
15-Feb-89	S-6	54.	18.	4.5	1.4	4.
02-May-89	S-6	93.	43.	9.9	3.	8.
27-Jul-89	S-6	52.	20.	3.2	1.7	5.5
05-Oct-89	S-6	55.	20.	2.9	1.6	5.5
09-Jan-90	S-6	76.	35.	9.1	2.3	8.6
30-Apr-90	S-6	39.	13.	2.3	0.9	2.8
31-Jul-90	S-6	48.	20.	4.6	1.5	4.9
30-Oct-90	S-6	27.	7.4	0.9	0.6	1.4
06-Mar-91	S-6	35.	3.9	2.7	2.3	3.5
27-Jun-91	S-6	51.	19.	5.6	1.7	6.3
24-Sep-91	S-6	42.	14.	4.3	1.2	4.0



TABLE 3

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HISTORICAL GROUND-WATER QUALITY DATABASE

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Current Regional Water Quality Control Board Maximum Contaminant Levels

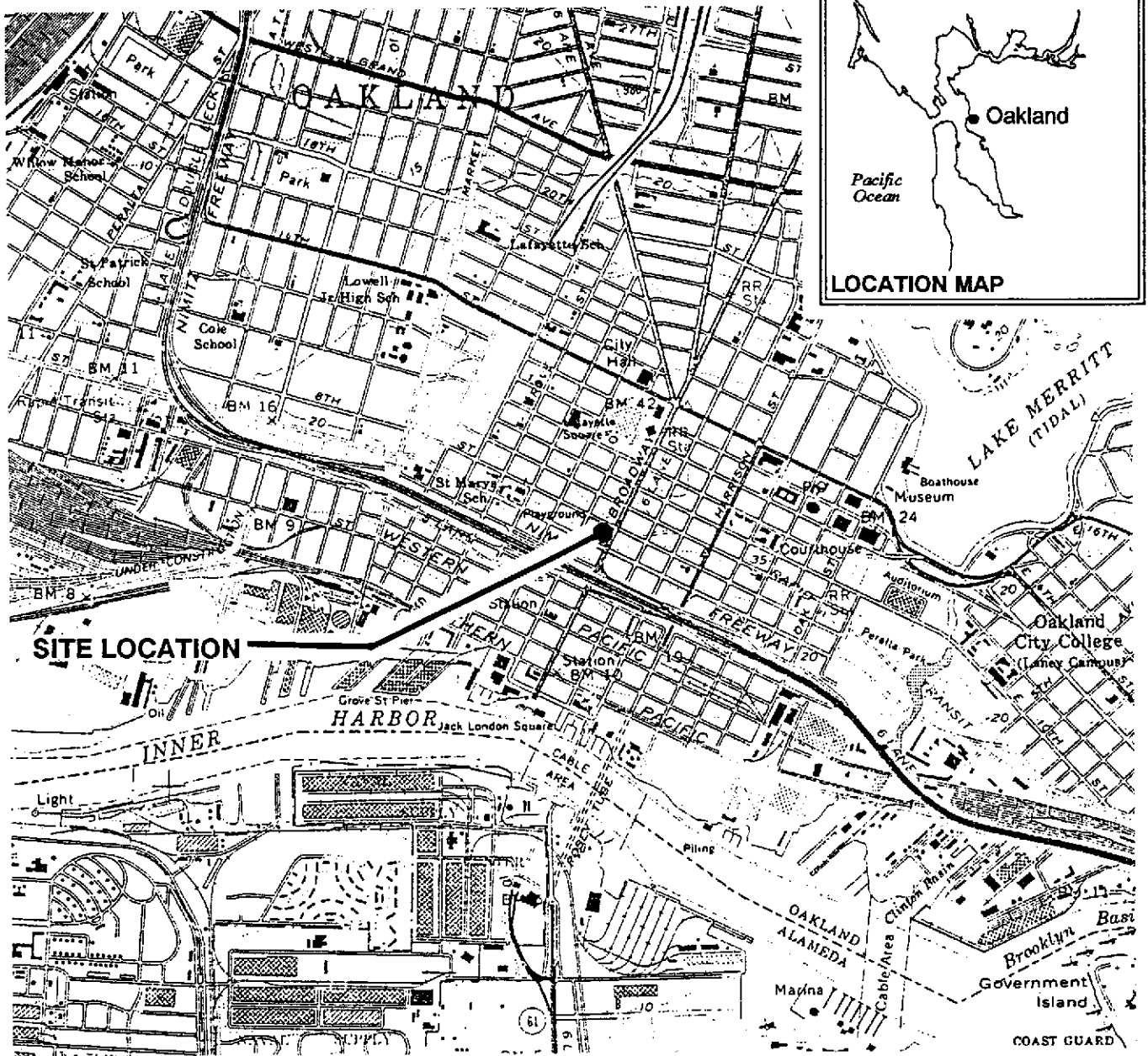
Benzene 0.001 ppm Xylenes 1.750 ppm Ethylbenzene 0.680 ppm

Current DHS Action Levels Toluene 0.1000 ppm

TPH-G = Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons calculated as Gasoline

PPM = Parts Per Million

- NOTE: 1. DHS Action Levels and MCL's are subject to change pending  
State of California review.  
2. Ethylbenzenes and Xylenes were combined prior to May 1987.  
3. All data shown as <X are reported as ND (none detected).



**SITE LOCATION**

Base Map: USGS Topographic Map

Approximate Scale : 1" = 2000'



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Vicinity Map  
Former Shell Service Station  
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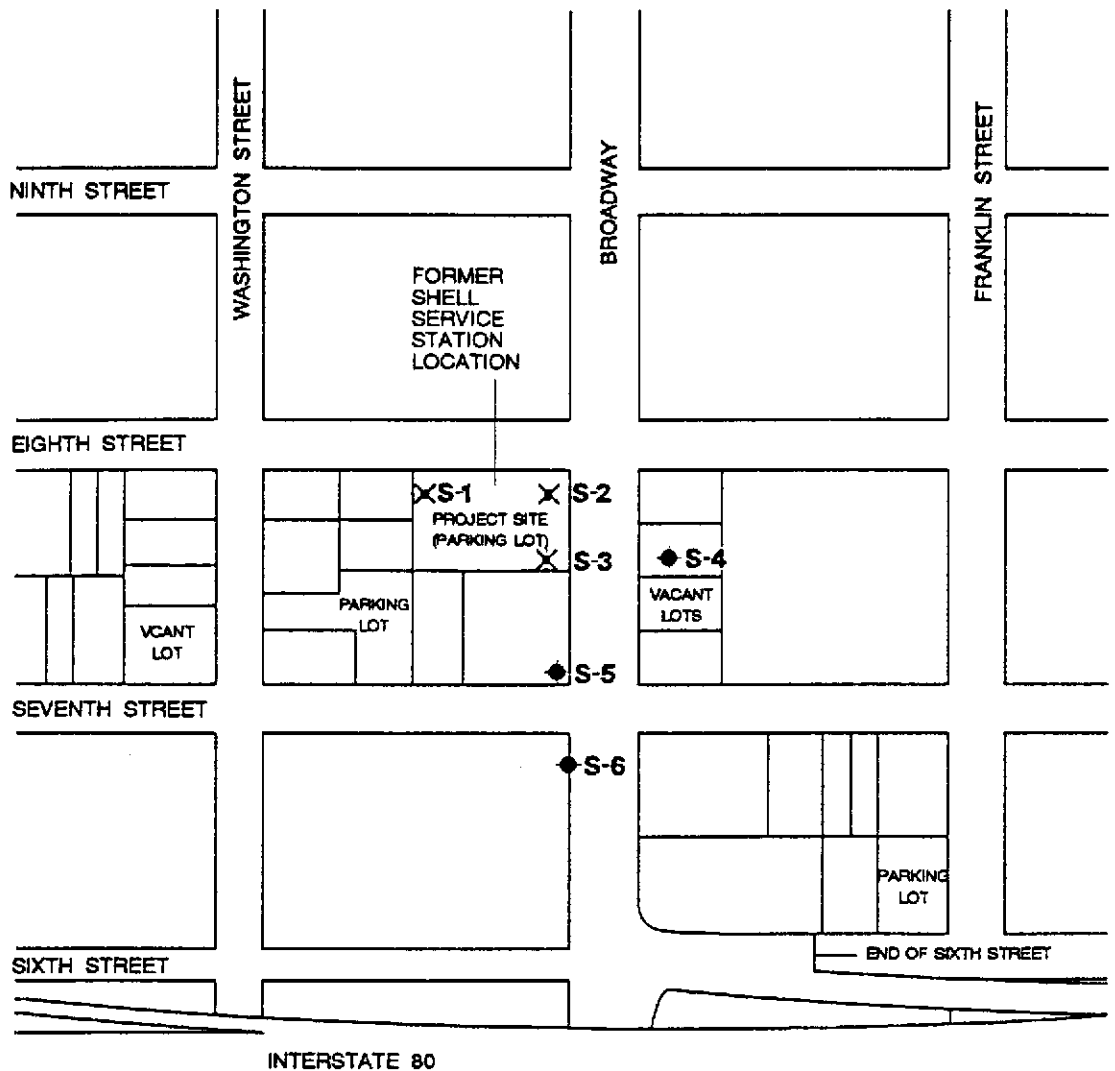
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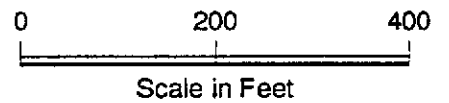
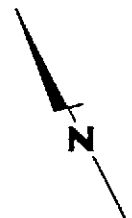
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**EXPLANATION**

- ◆ S-1      Ground-water monitoring well location
- X          Destroyed well



Note: Well S-7 located at Washington and Fifth Streets was destroyed in 1987

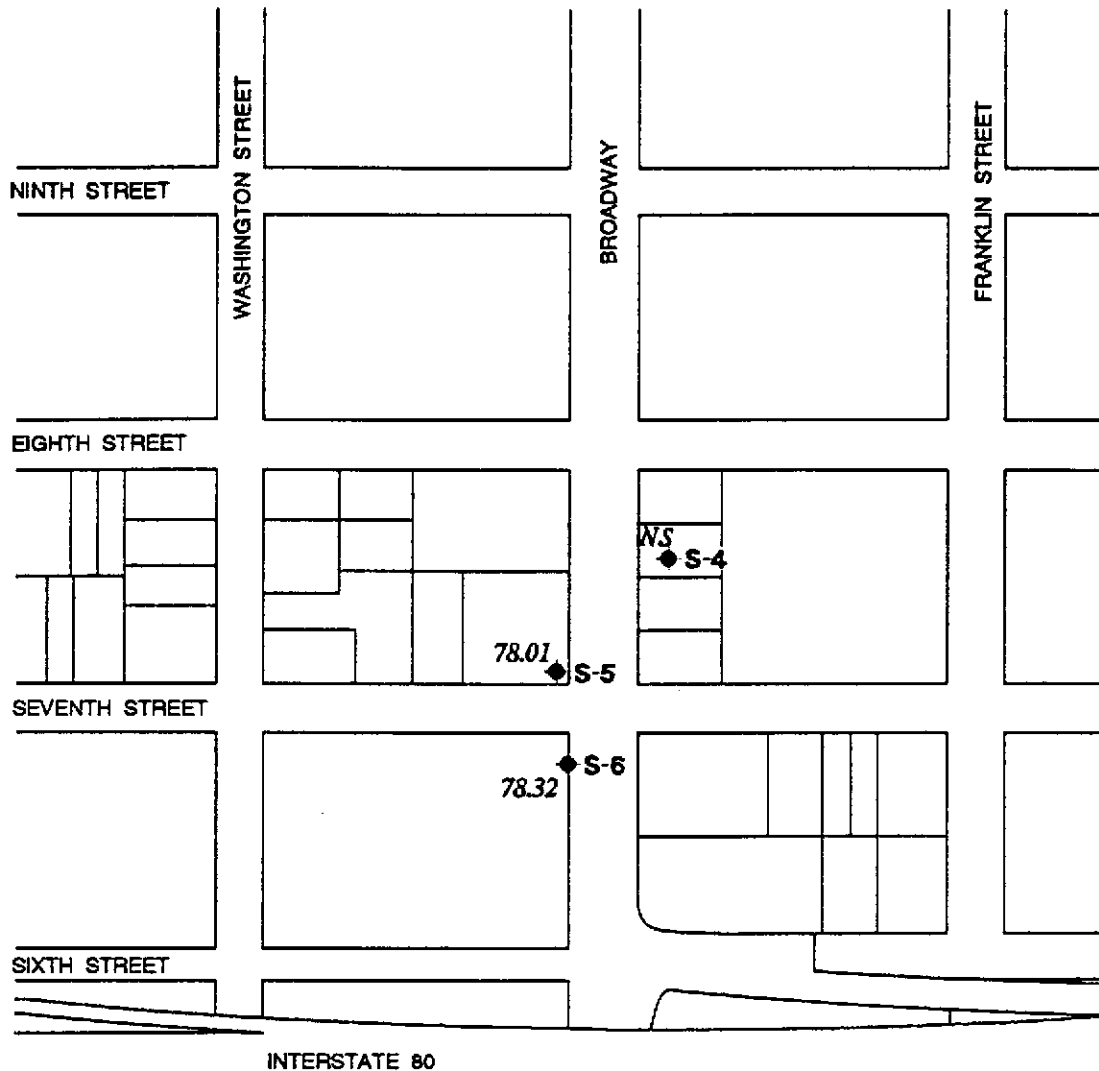


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Site Plan  
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 Oakland, California

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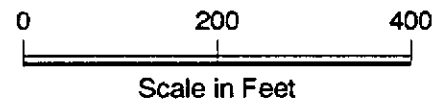
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**EXPLANATION**

- ◆ S-1 Ground-water monitoring well location
- NS Not sampled due to insufficient water
- 78.32 Ground-water elevation in feet referenced to project datum measured on September 24, 1991

**Note:** Contours may be influenced by irrigation practices and/or site construction activities

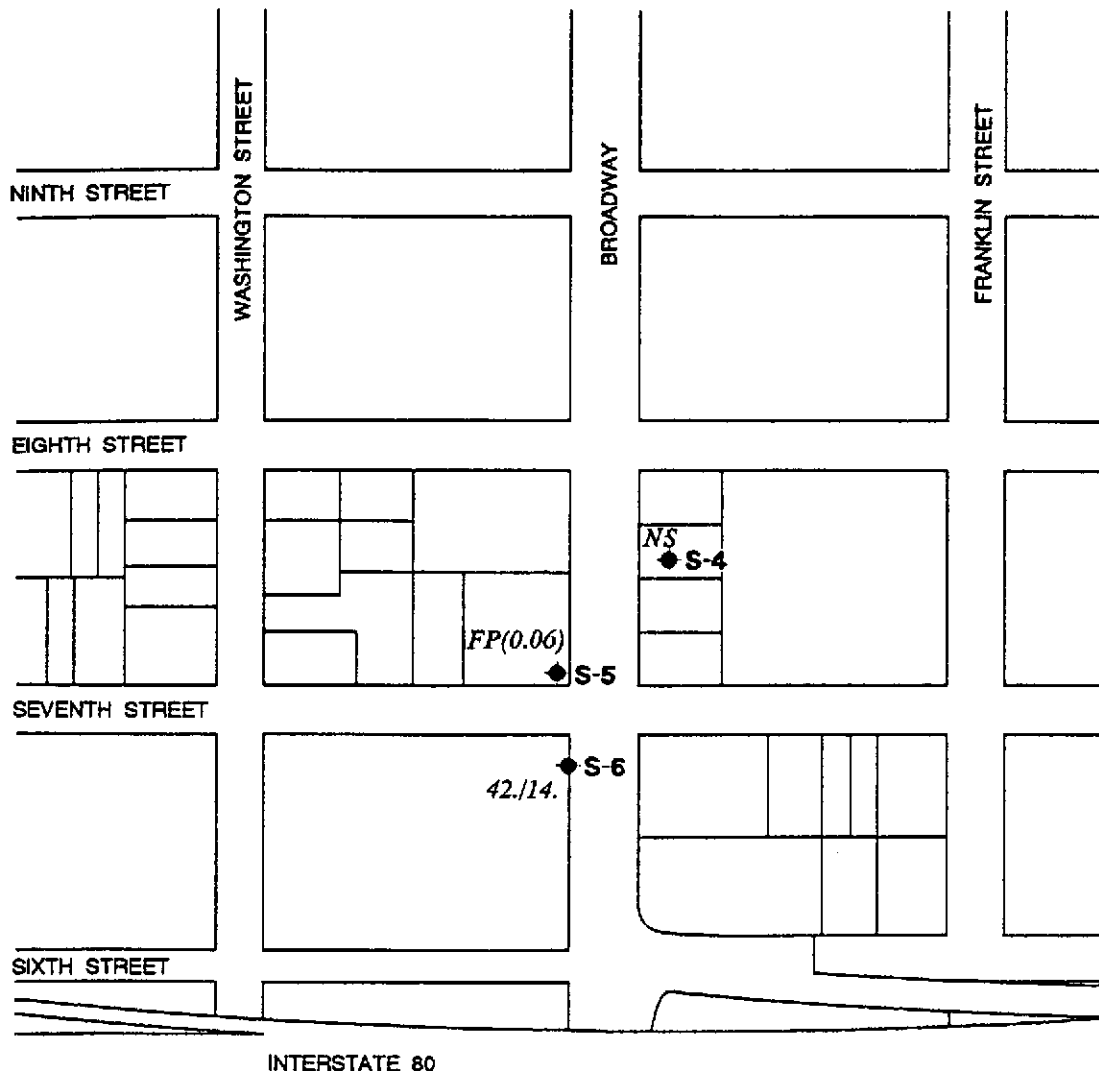


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**Water-level Elevation Map**  
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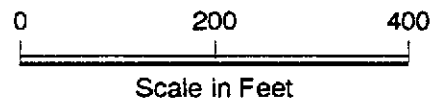
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**EXPLANATION**

- ◆ S-1 Ground-water monitoring well location
- 42./14. TPH-G (Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons calculated as Gasoline)/Benzene concentrations in ppm sampled on September 24, 1991
- FP(0.06) Floating Product (measured thickness in feet)
- NS Not Sampled



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**TPH-G/Benzene Concentration Map**  
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**APPENDIX A  
ANALYTICAL LABORATORY REPORT AND  
CHAIN-OF-CUSTODY FORMS**

**CERTIFICATE OF ANALYSIS**

Shell Oil Company  
Gettler-Ryan  
2150 West Winton  
Hayward, CA 94545  
Tom Paulson

Date: 10/09/91

Work Order: T1-09-323

P.O. Number: MOH 880-021 Vendor #I0002402

This is the Certificate of Analysis for the following samples:

Client Work ID: GR3644 461 8th St, Oakland  
Date Received: 09/25/91  
Number of Samples: 2  
Sample Type: aqueous

**TABLE OF CONTENTS FOR ANALYTICAL RESULTS**

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3	T1-09-323-01	S-6 MS/MSD
4	T1-09-323-02	TRIP BLANK
5	T1-09-323-03	Quality Control

Reviewed and Approved:



Hamid Allameh  
Petroleum GC Team Leader

American Council of Independent Laboratories  
International Association of Environmental Testing Laboratories  
American Association for Laboratory Accreditation

Company: Shell Oil Company  
 Date: 10/09/91  
 Client Work ID: GR3644 461 8th St, Oakland

IT ANALYTICAL SERVICES  
 SAN JOSE, CA

Work Order: T1-09-323

TEST NAME: Petroleum Hydrocarbons

SAMPLE ID: S-6  
 SAMPLE DATE: 09/24/91  
 LAB SAMPLE ID: T109323-01  
 SAMPLE MATRIX: aqueous  
 RECEIPT CONDITION: Cool pH < 2

RESULTS in Milligrams per Liter:

	METHOD	EXTRACTION DATE	ANALYSIS DATE
BTEX	8020		10/01/91
Low Boiling Hydrocarbons	Mod.8015		10/01/91

PARAMETER	DETECTION LIMIT	DETECTED
Low Boiling Hydrocarbons calculated as Gasoline	10.	42.
BTEX		
Benzene	0.1	14.
Toluene	0.1	4.3
Ethylbenzene	0.1	1.2
Xylenes (total)	0.1	4.0

SURROGATES	% REC
1,3-Dichlorobenzene (Gasoline)	102.
1,3-Dichlorobenzene (BTEX)	99.



Company: Shell Oil Company  
 Date: 10/09/91  
 Client Work ID: GR3644 461 8th St, Oakland

IT ANALYTICAL SERVICES  
 SAN JOSE, CA

Work Order: T1-09-323

TEST NAME: Spike and Spike Duplicates

SAMPLE ID: S-6 MS/MSD  
 SAMPLE DATE: 09/24/91  
 LAB SAMPLE ID: T109323-01D  
 EXTRACTION DATE:  
 ANALYSIS DATE: 09/27/91  
 ANALYSIS METHOD: Mod.8015

QUALITY CONTROL REPORT

Matrix Spike (MS) and Matrix Spike Duplicate (MSD) Analyses

RESULTS in Micrograms per Liter

PARAMETER	Sample Amt	Spike Amt	MS Result	MSD Result	MS %Rec	MSD %Rec	RPD
Gasoline	41.6	100000.	126000.	127000.	126.*	127.*	1.
SURROGATES					MS %Rec	MSD %Rec	
1,3-Dichlorobenzene					108.	108.	

\* Both recovery are due to the matrix effect. See non-conformance attached.

Company: Shell Oil Company  
 Date: 10/09/91  
 Client Work ID: GR3644 461 8th St, Oakland

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 SAN JOSE, CA

Work Order: T1-09-323

TEST NAME: Petroleum Hydrocarbons

SAMPLE ID: TRIP BLANK  
 SAMPLE DATE: not spec  
 LAB SAMPLE ID: T109323-02  
 SAMPLE MATRIX: aqueous  
 RECEIPT CONDITION: Cool pH < 2

RESULTS in Milligrams per Liter:

	METHOD	EXTRACTION DATE	ANALYSIS DATE
BTEX	8020		10/01/91
Low Boiling Hydrocarbons	Mod.8015		10/01/91

PARAMETER	DETECTION LIMIT	DETECTED
Low Boiling Hydrocarbons calculated as Gasoline	0.05	None
BTEX		
Benzene	0.0005	None
Toluene	0.0005	None
Ethylbenzene	0.0005	None
Xylenes (total)	0.0005	None

SURROGATES	% REC
1,3-Dichlorobenzene (Gasoline)	100.
1,3-Dichlorobenzene (BTEX)	97.

Company: Shell Oil Company  
 Date: 10/09/91  
 Client Work ID: GR3644 461 8th St, Oakland

Work Order: T1-09-323

TEST NAME: Spike and Spike Duplicates

SAMPLE ID: Quality Control  
 SAMPLE DATE: not spec  
 LAB SAMPLE ID: T109323-03A  
 EXTRACTION DATE:  
 ANALYSIS DATE: 09/30/91  
 ANALYSIS METHOD: 8020

## QUALITY CONTROL REPORT

Matrix Spike (MS) and Matrix Spike Duplicate (MSD) Analyses

RESULTS in Micrograms per Liter

PARAMETER	Sample Amt	Spike Amt	MS Result	MSD Result	MS %Rec	MSD %Rec	RPD
Benzene	ND<0.5	50.	50.4	45.3	101.	91.	10.
Toluene	ND<0.5	50.	50.1	45.1	100.	90.	10.
Ethylbenzene	ND<0.5	50.	50.0	45.1	100.	90.	10.
Total Xylenes	ND<0.5	150.	150.	135.	100.	90.	10.
					MS	MSD	
SURROGATES					%Rec	%Rec	
1,3-Dichloroebenzene					99.	104.	

Company: Shell Oil Company  
Date: 10/09/91  
Client Work ID: GR3644 461 8th St, Oakland

IT ANALYTICAL SERVICES  
SAN JOSE, CA

Work Order: T1-09-323

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TEST CODE QC TEST NAME Quality Control

Quality control (QC) samples are analyzed and used to assess the laboratory control measures. Routine QC samples include method blanks, spikes and duplicates. The purpose of the method blank (MB) analysis is to demonstrate that artifacts of the test do not yield false positives. The laboratory control spike (LS) and /or matrix spike (MS) analysis is used to evaluate the ability of the test to recover analytes of interest, i.e. accuracy. Accuracy is expressed as percent (%) recovery. The laboratory spike duplicate (LSD), matrix spike duplicate (MSD), or duplicate sample (DUP) is used to determine the precision of the test, by comparing the result from the original spike (or sample) to the duplicate spike (or sample). Precision is expressed as relative percent difference (RPD).

The results of appropriate QC samples from QC batches associated with the listed samples are included in this report.

TEST CODE TPHVB TEST NAME TPH Gas, BTEX by 8015/8020

The method of analysis for low boiling hydrocarbons is taken from EPA Methods modified 8015, 8020 and 5030. The sample is examined using the purge and trap technique. Final detection is by gas chromatography using a flame ionization detector in series with a photoionization detector. The result for total low boiling hydrocarbons is calculated as gasoline. Results in soils are corrected for moisture content and are reported on a dry soil basis unless otherwise noted.

