December 5, 2002

Barney Chan Alameda County Health Care Services Agency 1131 Harbor Bay Parkway, Suite 250 Alameda, California 94502-6577

Subject:

**Shell-branded Service Station** 

Former Shell Service Station

461 8th Street

Oakland, California

Dear Mr. Chan:

Attached for your review and comment is a copy of the *Investigation Status Report* for the above referenced site. Upon information and belief, I declare, under penalty of perjury, that the information contained in the attached document is true and correct.

As always, please feel free to contact me directly at (559) 645-9306 with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Shell Oil Products US

Karen Petryna

Sr. Environmental Engineer

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Mr. Barney Chan Alameda County Health Care Services Agency 1131 Harbor Bay Parkway, Suite 250 Alameda, California 94502-6577

Re: Investigation Status Report

Former Shell Service Station 461 8<sup>th</sup> Street Oakland, California Incident #97093399 Cambria Project #244-1501



Dear Mr. Chan:

On behalf of Shell Oil Products US (Shell), Cambria Environmental Technology, Inc. (Cambria) is submitting this *Investigation Status Report* for the referenced site (Figures 1 and 2). The scope of work for this investigation was described in our April 30, 2002 *Agency Response and Work Plan* and our June 7, 2002 *Agency Response and Work Plan Addendum*, and was approved in a June 11, 2002 Alameda County Health Care Services Agency (ACHCSA) letter. In a September 26, 2002 electronic transmittal from Ms. Jacquelyn Jones of Cambria to Mr. Barney Chan of the ACHCSA, Cambria indicated that we are in the process of obtaining a modified access agreement for the site and that we would keep the ACHCSA informed of our progress.

Permitting Status: Cambria submitted an encroachment permit application to Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART) for drilling within the immediate vicinity of their underground structures beneath Broadway Avenue in Oakland on June 26, 2002. BART requested additional information for the encroachment permit, which was submitted by Cambria on August 29, 2002. At this time, Cambria scheduled the field work for the week of September 30, 2002 and notified BART of the drilling dates. As described below, those drilling dates were rescheduled on September 26, 2002 to October 30 and 31, 2002 due to access issues at the site. Cambria informed BART of the rescheduled dates, and BART approved the encroachment permit on October 17, 2002.

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Cambria Environmental Technology, Inc. Cambria submitted an encroachment permit application to the City of Oakland on August 27, 2002. Cambria obtained the necessary City of Oakland encroachment permits on September 3, 2002. The encroachment permits obtained contain a provision that no encroachment into Broadway Avenue or Seventh Street in Oakland could take place between the dates of November 1, 2002 and January 1, 2003 due to holiday traffic.

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Cambria obtained Alameda County Public Works Agency well/boring installation permits on October 24, 2002.

Access Agreement Status: In early August 2002, Cambria contacted the legal representative of the property owner, Hanson Bridgett Marcus Vlahos Rudy LLP (Hanson Associates) and was informed by Ms. Leah Goldberg of Hanson Associates that an addendum to the original access agreement obtained for the site in 1994 would be required prior to accessing the site. Cambria submitted an addendum consistent with previous addendums for the site with a copy of the original access agreement to Ms. Goldberg on September 17, 2002. After review of Cambria's submittal, Ms. Goldberg indicated that an entirely new access agreement would need to be obtained, and that she would forward an agreement to us prior to the drilling dates. On September 19, 2002, Ms. Goldberg indicated that the property owner had recently offered a new lease to the current property tenant which gave up the property owner's right to access the property, and that would need to be renegotiated prior to granting access to Cambria. Cambria cancelled the drilling dates on September 26, 2002 and notified Mr. Barney Chan of the ACHCSA of the cancellation in a September 26, 2002 electronic mail transmittal. Also included in the September 26, 2002 transmittal was a site plan with amended boring/well locations based on restrictions from BART (Figure 2).



Due to limited availability of drilling dates and the limitations of the City of Oakland encroachment permit, Cambria scheduled the offsite drilling only for October 30 and 31, 2002, and notified Ms. Goldberg of these dates and the encroachment permit restrictions on September 27, 2002. Cambria planned to schedule the onsite drilling upon obtaining a new access agreement for the site. A representative of the property owner, Mr. Steven Schulman of Wells Fargo Bank, contacted Cambria during the first week in October requesting specific information regarding site access which Cambria provided on October 3, 2002. At 6:33 PM on Friday, October 25, 2002, Ms. Goldberg sent to Cambria via facsimile a copy of a new access agreement for the site which included several items not previously discussed during access agreement negotiation. Due to the short time between obtaining the draft access agreement and the scheduled drilling dates, Cambria had to cancel the drilling to allow Shell time to review the new access agreement. This review is currently underway, and Cambria will notify the ACHCSA when a finalized agreement has been obtained and the drilling has been rescheduled. We will continue to make every attempt to move forward as soon as possible. We anticipate completing the drilling during the first quarter 2003.

## CLOSING

We appreciate the opportunity to work with you on this project. Please call Jacquelyn Jones at (510) 420-3316 if you have any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

Cambria Environmental Technology, Inc.



Jacquelyn L. Jones Project Geologist

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Principal Engineer

Figures:

1 - Vicinity/Area Well Survey Map

2 - Proposed Monitoring Well Location Map

cc:

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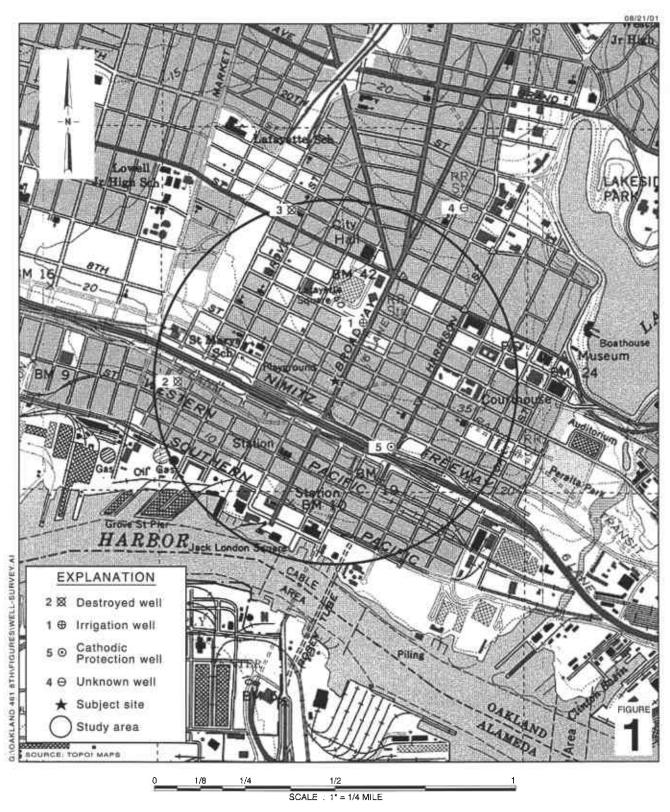
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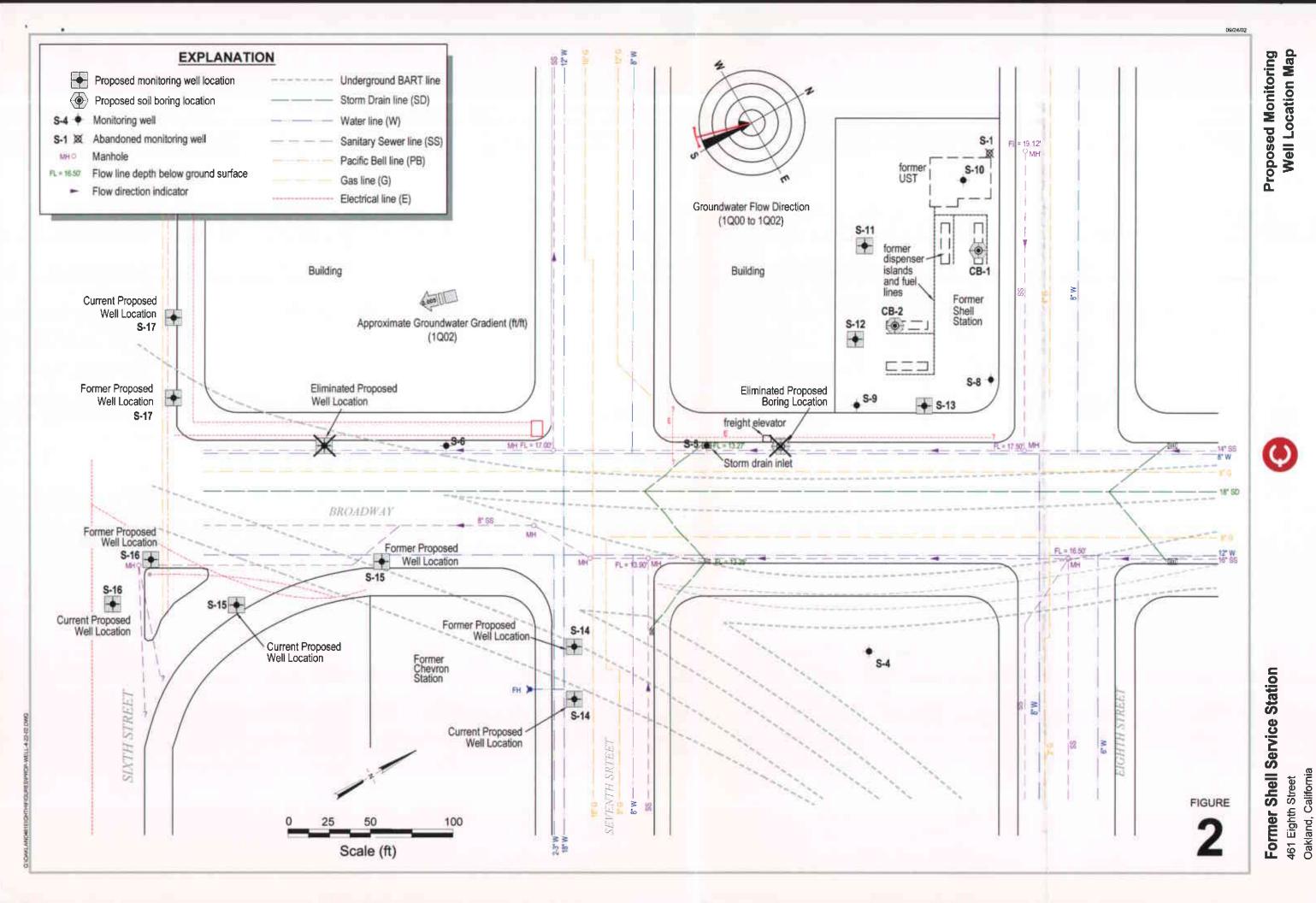
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Vicinity / Area Well Survey Map

1/2 Mile Radius



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