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November 15, 1989

J. Kevin Hunter
Exxon Company, USA
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Subject: Status of Groundwater Remediation at Exxon sites in
Alameda County

Dear Mr. Hunter:

We have received and reviewed the latest quarterly update for Exxon sites in Alameda County. A comparison of your quarterly update with RWQCB LUFT Tracking System data and information supplied to us by the Alameda LUFT local implementing agencies has raised the following concerns:

1. According to our records, no interim groundwater remediation system is currently operational- or is scheduled to begin operation during the fourth quarter at the following Exxon sites:

Exxon Station, 43250 Grimmer Road, Fremont, CA.
Exxon Station, 4995 Mowry Ave., Fremont, CA.
Exxon (former Regal) Station, 1725 Park Street, Alameda, CA.
Exxon (former Texaco) Station, 23990 Hesperian Blvd., Hayward, CA.
Exxon (former Texaco) Station, 2225 Telegraph Ave., Oakland, CA.
Exxon (former Texaco) Station, 500 Grand Ave., Oakland, CA.

As you are aware, the RWQCB is one of the primary State agencies responsible for safeguarding the State's water quality through implementation of the California State Water Code. Your discharge at the above-referenced sites is a direct violation of that code. However, the Board may not pursue an enforcement action if an interim groundwater remediation strategy is implemented as soon as possible. You should be aware that unless specifically recommended by the Board, monitoring the "natural degradation" of free product and it's constituents is not considered an acceptable remediation strategy by itself. The same also applies to periodic bailing of free product from monitoring wells.

2. According to data supplied to us by the Alameda County Local Implementing Agencies, soil and or groundwater pollution is present at the following sites:

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Exxon Station, 349 Main Street, Pleasanton, CA.
Bud's Exxon Station, 299 West Winton, Hayward, CA.
Exxon (former Texaco) Station, 2697 Hesperian Ave., Hayward,
CA.

To date, the Board has received no information on these sites from Exxon. Therefore, pursuant to the Regional Board's authority under section 13267 of the California State Water Code, you are required to submit all technical reports pertaining to the referenced sites by December 15, 1989. You should be aware that failure to submit or late submittal may result in fines up to \$1000 per day of delinquency.

If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Rich Hiatt at (415) 464-4359.

Sincerely,



Steven R. Ritchie
Executive Officer

cc: Mr. M. Thompson, Alameda County Office of the District Attorney
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