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April 10, 2008

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

Re: Access Agreement and Offsite Investigation Status

Former Shell Service Station 4411 Foothill Boulevard Oakland, California SAP Code 135686 Incident No. 98995746 Agency Case No. RO0000415

Dear Mr. Wickham:

Conestoga-Rovers & Associates (CRA) prepared this letter on behalf of Equilon Enterprises LLC dba Shell Oil Products US (Shell) to document the status of the right-of-entry (ROE) agreement and the associated offsite work proposed in our July 27, 2007 *Soil Gas Survey and Groundwater Assessment Work Plan* for the above site.

In our January 3, 2008 letter, we indicated that we had been in negotiations to secure the ROE's with each of the respective property owners for the offsite work on the two separate adjacent involved properties, and that after initially indicating some willingness to allow for access for the installation of soil vapor probe V-12 and monitoring well S-13, the property owner of 4320 Bond Street had stated that she would <u>not</u> allow Shell access to that property. However, the property owner of the other site, at 4340 Bond Street, where monitoring wells S-10, S-11, and S-12 are proposed, had more than once iterated their intent to allow Shell access, but had asked that the well installation occur after they completed their current re-development of the site as a parking lot. Our January 3, 2008 letter proposed that we install the three offsite monitoring wells on the 4340 Bond Street site after they had completed the parking lot paving, and during this drilling mobilization we would also again attempt to install onsite soil vapor points V-8 and V-9. Alameda County Health Care Services Agency agreed to this proposal in electronic correspondence also dated January 3, 2008, and requested that a schedule for the installation and reporting for the onsite vapor probes and the offsite wells be submitted by April 15, 2008.

During communications this week with the owners of the 4340 Bond street property, they indicated that they had secured the permits and selected a contractor, and that the activities to demolish the onsite building and develop the site as a parking lot was slated to begin this week.

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Indications from the property owners are that the project would take approximately 3 months to complete and that they anticipated completing the redevelopment as a parking lot sometime in mid July, 2008.

We are again proposing that the efforts to install the three offsite monitoring wells and the remaining two onsite soil vapor probes occur after they have completed the redevelopment of the site as a parking lot. We will keep you apprised as to the status of the pending field activities, and once the parking lot has been developed we will provide you with a schedule of field activities and a proposed report submittal date.

Please let us know as soon as possible if this proposal and approach is acceptable with you.

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If you have any questions regarding the letter, please call Dennis Baertschi at (707) 268-3813.

Sincerely,

**Conestoga-Rovers & Associates** 

Denis Brown, Shell Oil Products US cc: