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RE: Additional information for Preliminary Site Assessment Workplan, Union Pacific Railroad facility, 1750 Ferro Street, Oakland, CA.

Dear Jennifer:

I am writing in response to your request for additional information regarding the proposed workplan for the Ferro Street facility.

USPCI will utilize Sequoia Analytical (CA DHS #1210) for project laboratory work.

Please reference the attached Figure 1 (Site Map) for drilling locations not explicitly described in the original workplan. The USPCI site characterization strategy involves first definition of the lateral and vertical extent of petroleum hydrocarbon impacted soils followed by the installation of monitoring wells to assess the lateral extent of petroleum hydrocarbon impacted groundwater. The proposed locations of both the soil borings and monitoring wells are tentative and actual locations will depend on site conditions during drilling activities. For example, monitoring wells will not be completed in soils which exhibit obvious field evidence (soil discoloration or petroleum odors).

In addition to the above considerations, in order to allay concerns that materials other than waste or lube oil were stored in the tanks near the north end of the maintenance shop, in accordance with Tri-Regional recommendations (August, 1990), select soil samples collected from borings advanced into these two former tank pits will be analyzed for total petroleum hydrocarbons as gasoline and diesel (TPH G&D), oil and grease, benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene and xylenes (BTEX), chlorinated hydrocarbons, and the following metals: cadmium, chromium, lead, zinc, nickel. All analyses will be conducted using Tri-Regional recommended analytical procedures.

The suite of analyses completed for soil samples collected from the



other borings on site will depend on lab results for these first two borings. If the constituents of concern are not detected in one or both of the waste and lube oil tank pits, the compounds will not be analyzed for in samples collected from subsequent borings.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact me at (402) 271-4078.

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Harry Patterson

Manager, Environmental Site Remediation

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