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Subject:

Status of Soil and Groundwater Investigation and Schedule for Submittal of a Letter

Report, Former Glovatorium, 3815 Broadway Avenue, Oakland, California

Dear Mr. Seery:

This letter confirms our telephone conversation on August 25, 1999, in which we discussed the status of the soil and groundwater investigation LFR Levine Fricke (LFR) performed in the vicinity of the subject site ("Site"). During our conversation, we also discussed the schedule for submitting the report that will present the results of the investigation and propose locations of groundwater monitoring wells.

To provide a background for this letter, the following paragraph summarizes your recent correspondence regarding the schedule to conduct a soil and grab groundwater investigation and to submit a report documenting the results of this investigation.

## **Summary of Recent Correspondence**

In your letter dated June 4, 1999 to Mr. Robert Depper, the Site owner, you approved the LFR document entitled, "Results of Utility Survey and Work Plan for Soil and Grab Groundwater Investigation, Former Glovatorium, Oakland, California," dated May 6, 1999 ("Work Plan"). Your June 4, 1999 letter established a schedule allowing 45 days to conduct the field investigation, and an additional 45 days after final demobilization from the Site to submit a letter report recommending monitoring well locations. Your letter dated June 18, 1999 modified this schedule to allow until July 29, 1999 to initiate the field investigation.

## Status of Soil and Grab Groundwater Investigation

As we discussed in our telephone conversation on August 25, 1999, LFR collected soil samples and installed eight temporary grab groundwater sampling points on July 15 and 16, 1999, in accordance with the Work Plan. LFR collected grab groundwater samples on July 15, 19, and 21 from five of the eight temporary grab groundwater sampling points (GW-2, GW-3, GW-4, GW-7, and GW-8). Three of the temporary sampling points (GW-1, GW-5, and GW-6) could not be sampled on these dates because they were dry or there was insufficient water present to allow us to



collect grab groundwater samples. LFR checked these sampling points again for the presence of groundwater on July 28, and they were either dry or contained insufficient water to collect samples.

During our conversation on August 25, you requested that we send you the laboratory analysis certificates for the samples we have collected so far. I replied that I would need to request permission from Mr. Stuart Depper and his attorney, Mr. Albert Cohen, to send you these data. They granted permission, and on August 25, LFR sent you facsimile copies of the available laboratory analysis certificates for the soil and grab groundwater samples collected during the above-described investigation at the Site. Please be advised that we have not completed a thorough quality control review or evaluated the significance of these data.

On August 27, 1999, LFR again checked sampling points GW-1, GW-5, and GW-6 for the presence of groundwater. Sampling point GW-1 was dry and could not be sampled on this date. Sampling points GW-5 and GW-6 contained 0.7 and 1.0 foot of water, respectively. LFR collected grab groundwater samples from these points, and submitted them to Curtis & Tompkins of Berkeley, California for analysis. LFR expects to receive the results of these analyses by September 10, 1999.

## **Schedule for Future Activities**

Because have been unable to collect samples from one of the sampling points (GW-1), it is not clear when "final demobilization" will take place, and, therefore, when the recommendation for monitoring well locations is due. We discussed this with you on August 25, and it was agreed that LFR would attempt to collect grab groundwater samples from sampling points GW-1, GW-5, and GW-6 by August 27, 1999. Because we were uncertain whether we would be able to collect the remaining grab groundwater samples by August 27, we agreed to call you, after we attempted to collect the samples, to discuss the schedule for submitting the letter report. I left you a telephone message on September 2, 1999, indicating that we had collected grab groundwater samples from points GW-5 and GW-6, but were unable to sample point GW-1 because it was dry.

If you have any questions or comments regarding this letter, please call me at (510) 596-9628.

Sincerely,

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