

September 5, 2009

Mr. Paresh Khatri Hazardous Materials Specialist Alameda County Environmental Health Services 1131 Harbor Bay Parkway, Suite 250 Alameda, California 94502

Subject:

Former Sears Auto Center #1058B

2600 Telegraph Ave. Oakland, California

Case I.D. # RO0002600 0 480

For Sears Holdings Management Corporation

Dear Mr. Khatri:

We have received the correspondence dated July 28, 2009 from the Alameda County Environmental Health Services (ACEHS) regarding the above-referenced site. The correspondence indicates that groundwater wells at the above-referenced site have not been monitored since 2003 and requests that semi-annual groundwater monitoring be performed in accordance with the California State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) Resolution No. 2009-0042, which reduces groundwater monitoring frequency on UST Cleanup Fund and UST Cleanup Program sites from quarterly to semi-annual (or less frequent) unless site-specific needs warrant more frequent monitoring.

The most recent groundwater monitoring event for this site occurred in November 2008. The results of this groundwater monitoring event were provided to the ACEHS in a report dated February 19, 2009. This report also included results from a site closure assessment consisting of 16 confirmation soil borings. As discussed in detail in the report, closure has been requested for this site based on the limited and stable nature of hydrocarbons in both soil and groundwater, the absence of free product for the last eight years, and the low likelihood that shallow groundwater is a viable drinking water source due to low well production rates (<0.5 gallons per minute).

Based on the current conditions at the site, it is our opinion that additional groundwater monitoring is not warranted and we look forward to a response from the ACEHS regarding the site closure request as provided in the February 19, 2009 report.

Please note that this site has been claimed in the SWRCB GeoTracker database as shown on the attached screen printout from the Geotracker web page.

Feel free to contact me at (714) 648-2779 if you have any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

URS CORPORATION

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w/Attachment

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