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State Water Resources Control Board  
Division of Clean Water Programs  
UST Local Oversight Program  
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(510) 567-6700

RE: Pacific Pipe site, 1901 Poplar St., Oakland CA 94607

Dear Mr. Jacobs,

This letter is in response to your recent inquiries regarding monitoring well destruction. As you know, this case has gone through the closure process, and has received concurrence from the RWQCB. The wells may now be properly abandoned. In order to save costs, you proposed to destroy the wells yourself. This is an unusual request. I have been in contact with Wyman Hong of Alameda County Flood Control District Zone 7, Water Agency, to discuss this matter, since that office issues the well destruction (and construction) permits. **Your proposal to destroy the wells is acceptable on the condition that you notify Zone 7 and their representative be present onsite during the entire well destruction process. Please have Zone 7 submit documentation of proper well abandonment for our files. At that point, a final closure letter will be issued from this office.**

If you have any questions, please contact me at 510-567-6761.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jennifer Eberle".

Jennifer Eberle  
Hazardous Materials Specialist

cc: Wyman Hong, Alameda County Flood Control District, Zone 7,  
Water Agency, 5997 Parkside Dr., Pleasanton CA 94588  
Neil Thornton, American Industries, PO Box 10086, Portland  
OR 97210  
Frank Hamedi, Soil Tech Engineering, 298 Brokaw Rd., Santa  
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re: Pacific Pipe site  
1901 Poplar St.  
Oakland CA 94607

Dear Mr. Jacobs and Mr. Thornton,

We are in receipt of the 2/23/94 Proposed Work Plan for Subsurface Investigation, prepared by Soil Tech Engineering. As you know, this workplan involves the installation of three groundwater monitoring wells surrounding the former UST excavation. This workplan is acceptable on the following conditions:

- 1) All soil samples collected will be analyzed, including three samples at the capillary fringe.
- 2) The wells will not be installed through the tank backfill material.
- 3) Soil cuttings and purge/rinsate water will be properly characterized and disposed. Hazardous wastes may not be stored onsite for more than 30 days without a storage permit, as per 22 CCR. Disposal receipts will be submitted to this office, clearly stating dates, generator address, disposal facility address, amounts and types of waste.
- 4) Wells will be developed not less than 72 hours after installation, as per 23 CCR section 2649(d)(8).
- 5) Wells will be sampled not less than 24 hours after development.
- 6) Wells will be surveyed with respect to mean sea level.
- 7) The site map in the next report will be drawn to scale.
- 8) Well #3 will be installed inside the building, in a northwest direction from the former dispenser, as per a revised site map faxed to this office today.

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Neil Thornton

If you have additional questions, please contact me at 510-271-4530.

Sincerely,



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re: Pacific Pipe site  
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Dear Mr. Jacobs and Mr. Thornton,

During a telephone conversation today with Jamie Hargrave of W.A. Craig, Inc., I was asked to clarify my letter to you dated 1/10/94. A workplan for a groundwater investigation was requested within 45 days, or by February 25, 1994. The rationale behind this request is as follows:

- 1) Significant concentrations of soil contaminants were detected.
- 2) Significant concentrations of groundwater contamination was detected.

Either one of these two rationales may be considered reason for a groundwater investigation. In addition, groundwater was not resampled during overexcavation on 11/8/93 because not enough groundwater was present in the excavation.

I trust this clarifies any questions you may have. If you have additional questions, please contact me at 510-271-4530.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Eberle  
Hazardous Materials Specialist

cc: Ed Howell/file  
Jamie Hargrave, W.A. Craig, Inc., P.O. Box 448, Napa CA  
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re: Pacific Pipe site  
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Dear Mr. Jacobs and Mr. Thornton,

We have received the "Tank Closure Report" for the above referenced site, prepared by W.A. Craig, Inc., dated November 1993. Please note the site address on the report is 2000 Mandela Parkway, instead of 1901 Poplar St., as is referenced above. As you know, this report documents the removal of one 5,000-gallon gasoline underground storage tank (UST) and one 10,000-gallon diesel UST on 10/14/93. Soil samples collected during tank removal indicated concentrations as high as 2,700 ppm TPH-gasoline, 54 ppm benzene, and 4,900 ppm TPH-diesel (sample PP-3). Water collected from the excavation during tank removal indicated 32,000 ppb TPH-diesel.

Overexcavation was performed in November 1993. Confirmatory soil samples revealed non-detectable concentrations with the exception of the sample collected approximately 5' below the former dispenser. This sample (PP-2-11) contained 450 ppm TPH-diesel and 16 ppm TPH-gasoline. W.A. Craig recommended that the remaining contamination be left in place because the dispenser area cannot be further excavated due to the proximity to the building (page 7).

One water sample was collected from the excavation on 10/14/93. This sample contained 750 ppb TPH-gasoline, 25 ppb benzene, and 32,000 ppb TPH-diesel. The water in the excavation was subsequently vacuumed by H&H Ship Service Company. However, confirmatory samples were not collected. In order to assess the impact to groundwater, further subsurface investigation will be needed.

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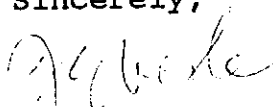
Therefore, we request a workplan or proposal for a groundwater investigation **within 45 days, or by February 25, 1994**, submitted under cover letter from yourself, and prepared by a recognized professional as outlined below. The groundwater investigation should consist of a minimum of three monitoring wells in an equilateral triangular configuration to determine groundwater flow direction and to assess groundwater quality.

All work should adhere to a) the Tri-Regional Board Staff Recommendations for Preliminary Evaluation and Investigation of Underground Tank Sites, dated 8/10/90; and b) Article 11 of Title 23, California Code of Regulations. Reports and proposals must be submitted **under seal** of a California-Registered Geologist, -Certified Engineering Geologist, or -Registered Civil Engineer.

Please note that with the exception of closure reports, routine reports and documents no longer need to be copied to the Regional Water Quality Control Board. Kindly submit a cover letter with your consultant's reports. If you have any questions, please contact me at 510-271-4530.

Please notify me at least 2 business days in advance of field activities so that I may arrange to be onsite.

Sincerely,

  
Jennifer Eberle  
Hazardous Materials Specialist

cc: Ed Howell/file

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