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REMEDIAL ACTION COMPLETION CERTIFICATION

StID 6529 - 1050 San Pablo Avenue, Albany, CA (2-500 gallons tanks removed on August 15, 1997)

November 3, 1998

Ms. Susan Spencer Regents of UC 317 University Hall #1150 Berkeley, CA 94720-1150

Dear Ms. Spencer:

This letter confirms the completion of site investigation and remedial action for the underground storage tanks formerly located at the above-described location. Thank you for your cooperation throughout this investigation. Your willingness and promptness in responding to our inquiries concerning the former underground storage tanks are greatly appreciated.

Based on information in the above-referenced file and with the provision that the information provided to this agency was accurate and representative of site conditions, no further action related to the underground tank release is required.

This notice is issued pursuant to a regulation contained in Title 23, Section 2721(e) of the California Code of Regulations.

Please contact our office if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Mee Ling Tung, Director

cc: Richard Pantages, Chief of Division of Environmental Protection

Chuck Headlee, RWQCB

Dave Deaner, SWRCB

Brian Crudo, Albany Fire Dept, 1000 San Pablo Ave, Albany, CA 94706

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Ms. Susan Spencer Regents of UC 317 University Hall #1150 Berkeley, CA 94720-1150

Re: Fuel Leak Site Case Closure for UC Gill Tract at 1050 San Pablo Ave, Albany, CA

Dear Ms. Spencer:

This letter transmits the enclosed underground storage tank (UST) case closure letter in accordance with Chapter 6.75 (Article 4, Section 25299.37[h]). The State Water Resources Control Board adopted this letter on February 20, 1997. As of March 1, 1997, the Alameda County Environmental Protection Division is required to use this case closure letter for all UST leak sites. We are also transmitting to you the enclosed case closure summary. These documents confirm the completion of the investigation and cleanup of the reported release at the subject site. The subject fuel leak case is closed.

SITE INVESTIGATION AND CLEANUP SUMMARY

Please be advised that the following conditions exist at the site:

- up to 300ppm TPH as gasoline and 0.44ppm benzene exists in soil beneath the site;
- up to 100ppb TPH as gasoline exists in groundwater beneath the site; and,
- a site safety plan must be prepared for construction workers in the event of excavation/trenching is proposed in the vicinity of residual soil and groundwater contamination.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (510) 567-6762.

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Hazardous Materials Specialist

- enlosures: 1. Case Closure Letter
- 2. Case Closure Summary
- c: Gary Patton, Albany Planning Dept, 1000 San Pablo Ave, Albany, CA 94706 files (gilltract3)

CASE CLOSURE SUMMARY

Leaking Underground Fuel Storage Tank Program

AGENCY INFORMATION

Agency name: Alameda County-HazMat City/State/Zip: Alameda, CA 94502

Responsible staff person: Eva Chu

Date: July 27, 1998

Address: 1131 Harbor Bay Pkwy

Phone: (510) 567-6700

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3661 E & LOO LINGE Title: Hazardous Materials Spec.

II. CASE INFORMATION

Site facility name: UC Gill Tract

Site facility address: 1050 San Pablo Ave, Albany, CA 94710

RB LUSTIS Case No: N/A Local Case No./LOP Case No.: 6529

URF filing date: 8/28/97 SWEEPS No: N/A

Phone Numbers: Responsible Parties: Addresses:

Regents of UC 317 University Hall #1150 510/643-9574

Attn. Susan Spencer Berkeley, CA 94720-1150

Tank Size in Contents: Closed in-place Date: or removed?: No: gal.: 1 8/15/97 Diesel Removed 500 2 500 Gasoline Removed 8/15/97

III. RELEASE AND SITE CHARACTERIZATION INFORMATION

Cause and type of release: Unknown Site characterization complete? YES

Date approved by oversight agency: 7/23/98

Number: NA Monitoring Wells installed? No

Proper screened interval? NA

Groundwater encountered at (~11'bgs Highest GW depth below ground surface:

Flow direction: Assumed westerly based on topography

Most sensitive current use: Agricultural

Are drinking water wells affected? No Aguifer name:

Nearest affected SW name: Is surface water affected?

Off-site beneficial use impacts (addresses/locations):

Report(s) on file? YES Where is report(s) filed? Alameda County

1131 Harbor Bay Pkwy Alameda, CA 94502

Treatment and Disposal of Affected Material:

<u>Material</u>	<u>Amount</u>	Action (Treatment	<u>Date</u>	
	(include units)	or Disposal w/destination)		
Tank	2 USTs	Disposed by Erickson, Richmond	8/17/97	
Soil	40 tons	Disposed at TPS Technologies, Richmond	8/20/97	
Groundwater	1600 gal.	Disposed at Seaport Petroleum, Redwood City	8/20/97	
Barrels	2-55 gal. drums	Disposed at Rollins Environmental, Los Angeles	10/22/97	

Maximum Documented Contaminant Concentrations - - Before and After Cleanup

Contaminant	Soil (p	pm)	Water (ppb)		
	Before ¹	After ²	Before ³	After⁴	
TPH (Gas)	900	300	7,400	100	
TPH (Diesel)	ND	NA	760	ND	
Benzene	3.0	0.44	1,300	ND	
Toluene	0.63	0.63	260	ND	
Ethylbenzene	6.2	1.7	130	ND	
Xylenes	17	1.9	370	ND	
MTBE	<17	NA	NA	100	

Other

NOTE: 1. soil sample collected at time of UST removal, 8/15/97

- 2. soil sample collected after overexcavation, 8/20/97
- 3. grab water sample from gasoline pit after overexcavation, 8/20/97
- 4. grab water sample from borehole B-2, 2/98

Comments (Depth of Remediation, etc.):

See Section VII, Additional Comments, etc...

IV. CLOSURE

Does completed corrective action protect existing beneficial uses per the
Regional Board Basin Plan?
Does completed corrective action protect potential beneficial uses per the
Regional Board Basin Plan?
Does corrective action protect public health for current land use? YES

Site management requirements: A site safety plan must be prepared for construction workers in the event excavation/trenching is proposed in the vicinity of residual soil and groundwater contamination.

Should corrective action be reviewed if land use changes? YES

Monitoring wells Decommissioned: NA

Number Decommissioned: Number Retained:

List enforcement actions taken: None
List enforcement actions rescinded: NA

LOCAL AGENCY REPRESENTATIVE DATA

Barrey Cha

Name: Eva Chu

Title: Haz Mat Specialist

Signature:

Date:

10/9/98

Reviewed by

Name: **Barney Chan** Title: Haz Mat Specialist

Signature:

Date:

8/5/98

Thomas Peacock Name:

Title: Supervisor

Signature:

10-9-98

VI. **RWQCB NOTIFICATION**

Date Submitted to RB:

1913/98

RB Response:

RWQCB Staff Name: Chuck Headlee

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Title: EG

Signature:

Date: 10 23/98

VII. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS, DATA, ETC.

Two USTs (1-500 gallon diesel and 1-500 gallon gasoline tanks) were removed in August 1997. The diesel tank appeared in good condition. The gasoline tank had a 2" diameter hole on top of the tank, adjacent to the vent pipe, and numerous holes were noted on the gasoline product line. A soil sample was collected from the floor of each tank excavation. The soil sample from the diesel pit did not contain hydrocarbon constituents. The soil sample from the gasoline pit contained up to 900ppm TPHg, and 3.0, ND, 6.3, and 17ppm BTEX, respectively. MTBE was not detected above the detection limit of 17ppm. (See Figs 1, 2 and Table 1)

The gasoline pit was overexcavated on August 20, 1997, but only after "1,600 gallons of storm water (resulting from the removal of the French drain system which was directly over the former tanks) were removed from the pit. Groundwater was encountered at "11' bgs. Final excavation dimensions were 12' x 6.5' x 11.5' deep. Sidewall soil samples were obtained from the northeast and southwest corners at ~10' bgs. The southwest sample contained up to 300ppm TPHg, and 0.44, 0.63, 1.7, and 1.9ppm BTEX, respectively. Visibly stained soil was noted along the western sidewall at "8" to 9" bgs. However, overexcavation was limited at this end of the pit because of the adjacent building structure. Following overexcavation a grab groundwater sample was collected. This sample contained 7,400ppb TPHg, 760ppb TPHd, and 1,200, 260, 130, and 370ppb BTEX, respectively. (See Table 1)

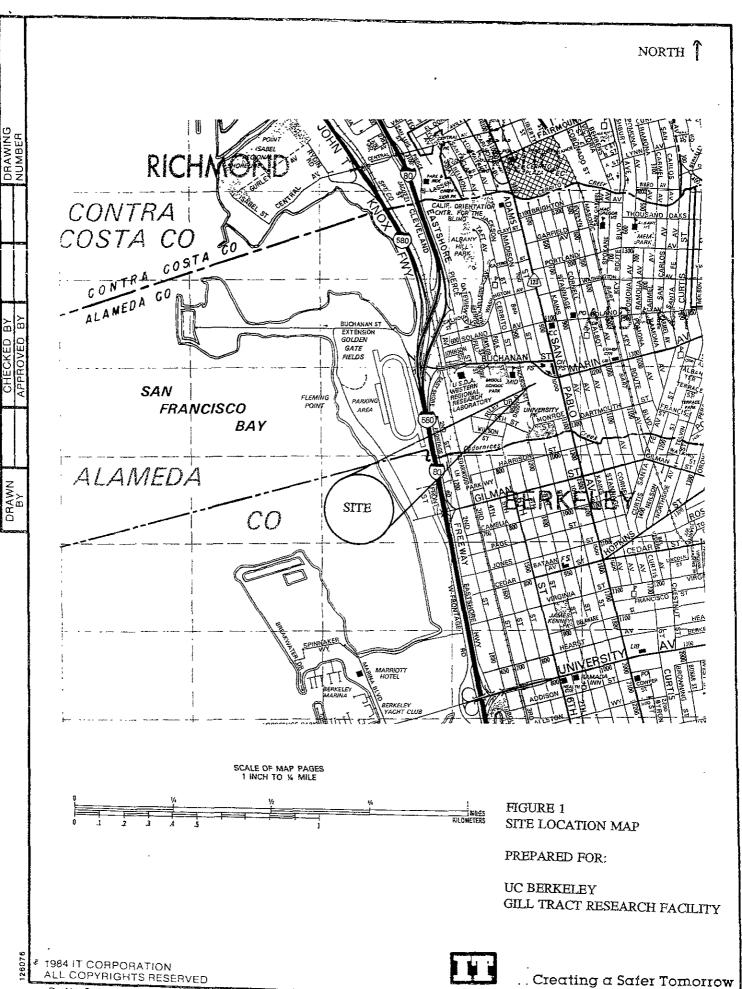
A limited subsurface investigation was conducted in February 1998 using a direct push sampling system. Three soil borings (B-1 through B-3) were advanced around the former tank excavation to ~12′ bgs. Soil and groundwater samples were collected from each borehole. None of the soil samples contained TPHg, BTEX, or MTBE. Only groundwater from borehole B-2 contained hydrocarbon constituents (TPHg and MTBE at 100ppb each). (See Figs 3 and 4)

It appears the fuel release at the site is limited to the immediate vicinity of the former UST. Clay sediments, as well as the hot steam pipe running along the former tank excavation, have limited the dispersion of contaminants in soil and groundwater. The identification of MTBE was not confirmed using Method 8260. Absent BTEX constituents in groundwater, the MTBE identified could be a false positive result.

Two creeks are located in the near vicinity, Village Creek and Codornices Creek. The UST site is ~250′ from Village Creek and ~700′ from Cordornices Creek, at the closest. Assuming a westerly groundwater flow direction, the nearest creek which could be impacted by the fuel release is approximately 1,850′ away (see Fig 5). It is not likely that residual groundwater contamination would migrate that distance to impact the creek. Greenhouse structures are mostly at the property immediately west of the former tank site. There are no residential structures immediately west of Gill Tract. Permanent groundwater monitoring wells are not warranted. No further action is deemed necessary at this site.

In summary, case closure is recommended because:

- o the leak and ongoing sources have been removed;
- o the site has been adequately characterized;
- o the dissolved plume is not migrating;
- o no water wells, surface water, or other sensitive receptors are likely to be impacted; and,
- o the site presents no significant risk to human health or the environment.



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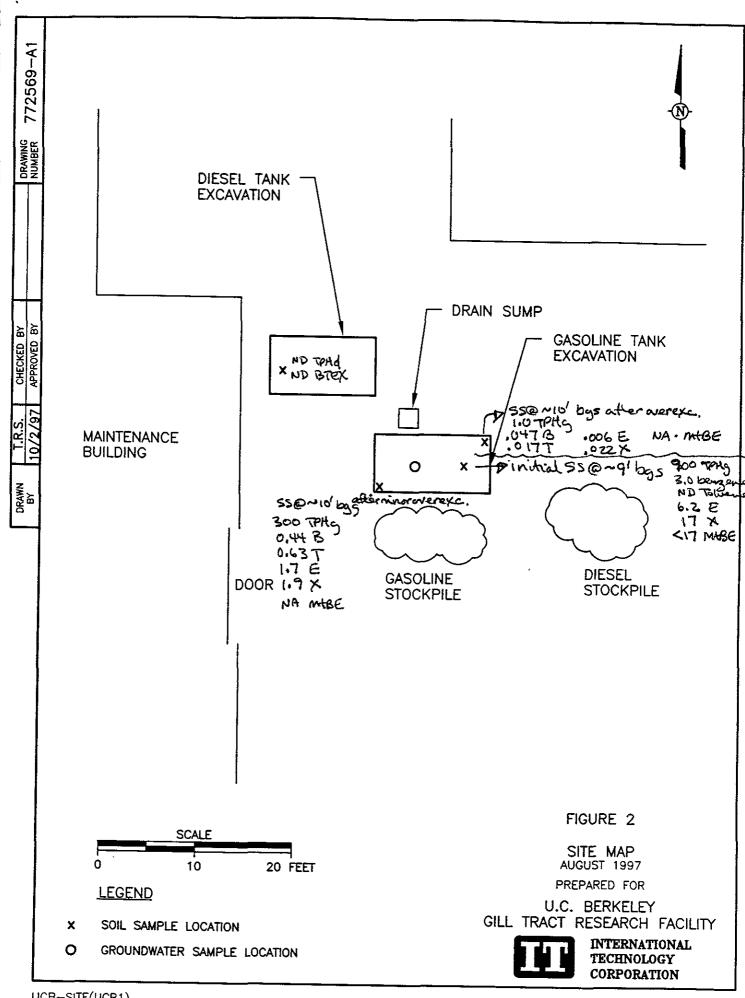


TABLE 1 CONFIRMATORY SAMPLING RESULTS

Gill Tract Research Facility Albany, California August, 1997

SAMPLE LD.	TPH-g (mg/kg)	TPH-d (mg/kg)	Total Lead (mg/kg)	Benzene (mg/kg)	Tolucne (mg/kg)	Ethylbenzene (mg/kg)	Xylenes (mg/kg)	MTBE (mg/Kg)
	Method 8015	Method 8015	Method 6010	Method 8020	Method 8020	Method 8020	Method 8020	Method 8020
Tank Floor Excavation	on Samples							
Diesel Floor	ND<1.0	ND<1.0	Not Analyzed	ND<1.0	ND<1.0	ND<1.0	ND<1.0	ND<1.0
Gasoline Floor	900	Not Analyzed	9.7	3.0	ND<0.05	6.2	17	ND<17
Gasoline Floor-SW	300	Not Analyzed	Not Analyzed	0.44	0.63	1.7	1.9	Not Analyzed
Gasoline Floor-NE	1.0	Not Analyzed	Not Analyzed	0.047	0.017	0.006	0.022	Not Analyzed
Soil Stockpile Samples								
Diesel Stockpile Composite 1	8.1	230	9.6	ND<1.0	ND<1.0	0.007	0.027	ND<1.0
Diesel Stockpile 2 Discrete	8.7	130	Not Analyzed	ND<1.0	ND<1.0	0.011	0.048	ND<1.0
Gasoline Stockpile Composite	24	Not Analyzed	8.2	0.036	0.13	0.092	0.58	ND<0.4
SAMPLE I.D.	TPH-g ug/L	TPH-d ug/L	Total Lead ug/L	Benzene (ug/L)	Toluene (ug/L)	Ethylbenzene (ug/L)	Xylenes (ug/L)	MTBE (ug/L)
	Method 8015	Method 8015	Method 6010	Method 8020	Method 8020	Method 8020	Method 8020	Method 8020
Ground Water Sample	<u>le</u>							
Excavation Water Sample	7,400	760	Not Analyzed	1,200	260	130	370	Not Analyzed
ND<0.05 = Non-Detect. The chemical constituent is below the Method Detection Limit (MDL).								

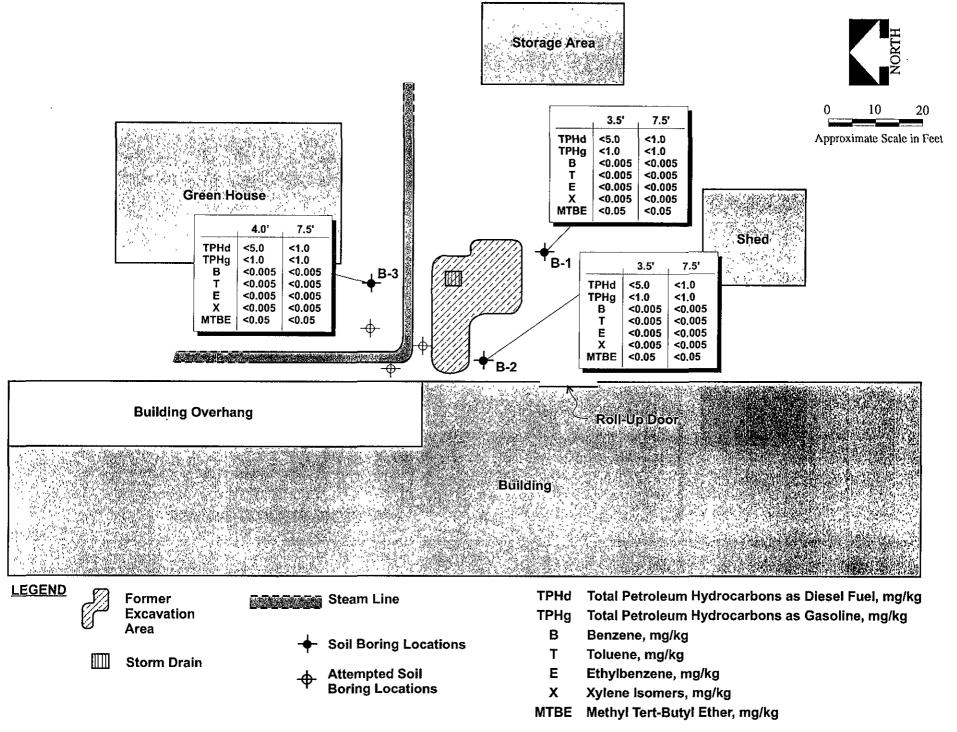


Figure 2 Analytical Results for Soil Samples Collected on February 17, 1998 UC Berkeley-Gill Tract Facility Albany, CA

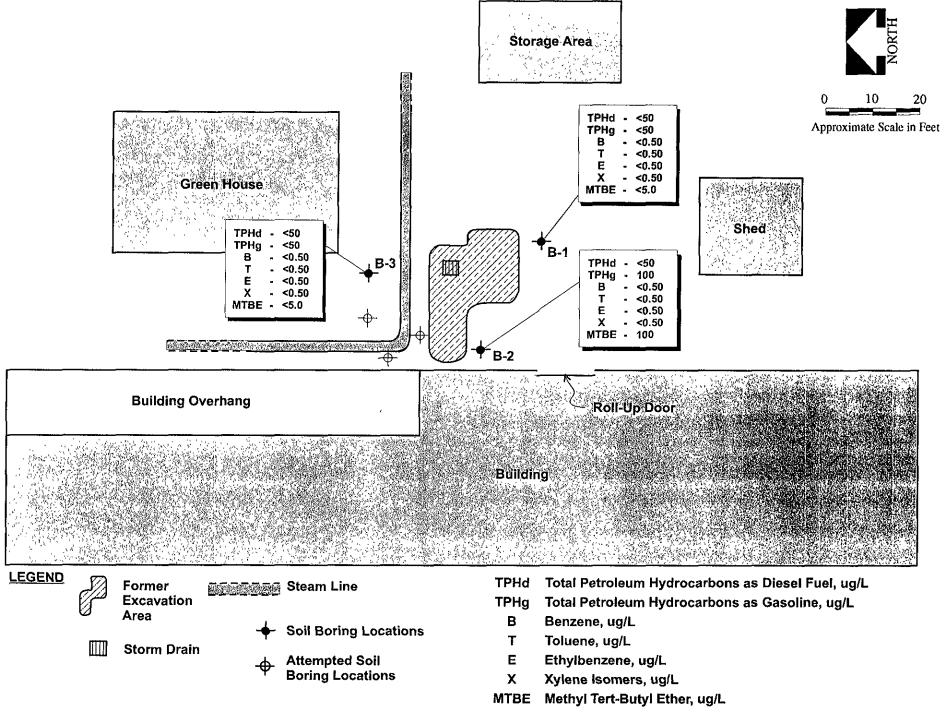


Figure 3 Analytical Results for Groundwater Samples Collected on February 17, 1998 UC Berkeley-Gill Tract Facility Albany, CA

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