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Mr. Craig Denny  
Union Pacific Railroad Co  
1416 Dodge Street, Room 930  
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**RE: PSA for "Tank 15 and Tank 16" Site at the Foot of Pine Street, Oakland, CA**

Dear Mr. Denny:

I have completed review of the information recently submitted by Mr. James Ackerman of ERM-West, Inc regarding the removal of USTs at the above referenced site. It appears that a 1,000 gallon gasoline UST (Tank 15) and a 2,000 gallon diesel tank (Tank 16) located near the SPTCo diesel shop were removed in 1988. Soil samples identified up to 540ppm TVPH and 2,000ppm TEPH. A grab water sample from the gasoline tank pit contained up to 47,000ppb TVPH and 200ppb benzene.

Mr. Ackerman recommended that "the Tank 15 site be closed at this time, and reopened only if land use of the area changes". At this time, however, I feel that additional investigations are required to delineate the extent and severity of the fuel release to at least determine if there is potential risk (from soil and/or groundwater volatilization of chemicals of concern to buildings) to workers in the adjacent office building.

A Preliminary Site Assessment (PSA) workplan for the next phase of investigation is due to this office by **March 31, 1998**. If you have any questions, I can be reached at (510) 567-6762.

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