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Subject: Fuel Leak Case No. #RO0002568 and Geotracker Global ID TO 6019758726. Pacific Pipe Company, 1685 24th Street, Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Herbert and Mr. Ivry:

Alameda County Environmental Health (ACEH) staff has reviewed the case file for the above-referenced site including the recently submitted document entitled, "Revised Work Plan – Additional Subsurface Investigation," dated June 20, 2006, which was prepared by ACC Environmental Consultants. The work plan proposes to drill eight soil borings for soil and groundwater sampling, evaluate potential preferential receptor pathways, and revise the Site Conceptual Model.

ACEH generally concurs with the proposed scope of work and requests that you address the following technical comments, perform the proposed work, and send us the technical report described below.

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TECHNICAL COMMENTS

1. Previously Approved Scope of Work - In the April 8, 2008 document entitled "Work Plan-Additional Subsurface Investigation," ACC Environmental, Inc. (ACC) proposed to advance twelve direct push borings to total depths of approximately 16 feet below the ground surface (bgs) to characterize soil and groundwater conditions in the vicinity of the former UST locations. Human health risk assessment was also part of the proposed scope of work. However, based on a review of the subsequent document entitled "Additional Subsurface Investigation Report," dated August 27, 2004, ACC installed nine of the proposed twelve borings and appears to have omitted the proposed human health risk assessment. Rationale or discussion was not presented in the report justifying the incomplete scope of work. Please provide rationale for why the proposed scope of work was not completed and provide a detailed discussion in the subsurface investigation report due by the date requested below.
2. Lead Scavengers - Analyses of all groundwater samples should include the analytes ethylene dibromide and 1,2-dichloroethane

3. Site Conceptual Model - The site conceptual model is a narrative and graphical description of site characteristics and provides the basis for understanding the site. The conceptual model should include all essential features of the hydrogeologic system at and in the vicinity of the site and identify the physical conditions at the site that influence contaminant transport and receptor exposure.

Development of the site conceptual model is an iterative process. As new data become available, the conceptual model is refined. The final conceptual model should be detailed enough to provide sufficient information to make appropriate regulatory decisions.

At this time, develop a conceptual model as described above. If, at the conclusion of the proposed scope of work, data are insufficient to present a final conceptual model, please include with the report of work performed, a proposal to address any deficiencies (data gaps) of the model.

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

ACEH's case file for the subject site contains only the electronic reports as listed on our website (<http://www.acgov.org/aceh/lop/ust.htm>). You are requested to submit copies of all other reports related to environmental investigations for this property (including Phase 1 reports) by **July 15, 2008**.

LANDOWNER NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

Pursuant to California Health & Safety Code Section 25297.15, the active or primary responsible party for a fuel leak case must inform all current property owners of the site of cleanup actions or requests for closure. Furthermore, ACEH may not consider any cleanup proposals or requests for case closure without assurance that this notification requirement has been met. Additionally, the active or primary responsible party is required to forward to ACEH a complete mailing list of all record fee title holders to the site.

At this time we require that you submit a complete mailing list of all record fee title owners of the site by May 15, 2008, which states, at a minimum, the following:

A. *In accordance with section 25297.15(a) of Chapter 6.7 of the Health & Safety Code, I, (name of primary responsible party), certify that the following is a complete list of current record fee title owners and their mailing addresses for the above site:*

- OR -

B. *In accordance with section 25297.15(a) of Chapter 6.7 of the Health & Safety Code, I, (name of primary responsible party), certify that I am the sole landowner for the above site.*

(Note: Complete item A if there are multiple site landowners. If you are the sole site landowner, skip item A and complete item B.)

In the future, for you to meet these requirements when submitting cleanup proposals or requests for case closure, ACEH requires that you:

1. Notify all current record owners of fee title to the site of any cleanup proposals or requests for case closure;
2. Submit a letter to ACEH which certifies that the notification requirement in 25297.15(a) of the Health and Safety Code has been met;

3. Forward to ACEH a copy of your complete mailing list of all record fee title holders to the site; and
4. Update your mailing list of all record fee title holders, and repeat the process outlined above prior to submittal of any additional *Corrective Action Plan* or your *Request for Case Closure*.

Your written certification to ACEH (Item 2 above) must state, at a minimum, the following:

A. *In accordance with Section 25297.15(a) of the Health & Safety Code, I, (name of primary responsible party), certify that I have notified all responsible landowners of the enclosed proposed action. (Check space for applicable proposed action(s)):*

cleanup proposal (Corrective Action Plan)

request for case closure

local agency intention to make a determination that no further action is required

local agency intention to issue a closure letter

- OR -

B. *In accordance with section 25297.15(a) of Chapter 6.7 of the Health & Safety Code, I, (name of primary responsible party), certify that I am the sole landowner for the above site.*

(Note: Complete item A if there are multiple site landowners. If you are the sole site landowner, skip item A and complete item B.)

TECHNICAL REPORT REQUEST

Please submit technical reports to Alameda County Environmental Health (Attention: Paresh Khatri)

- **July 15, 2008** – Soil and Water Investigation Report

This report is being requested pursuant to California Health and Safety Code Section 25296.10. 23 CCR Sections 2652 through 2654, and 2721 through 2728 outline the responsibilities of a responsible party in response to an unauthorized release from a petroleum UST system, and require your compliance with this request.

ELECTRONIC SUBMITTAL OF REPORTS

ACEH's Environmental Cleanup Oversight Programs (LOP and SLIC) require submission of reports in electronic form. The electronic copy replaces paper copies and is expected to be used for all public information requests, regulatory review, and compliance/enforcement activities. Instructions for submission of electronic documents to the Alameda County Environmental Cleanup Oversight Program FTP site are provided on the attached "Electronic Report Upload Instructions." Submission of reports to the Alameda County FTP site is an addition to existing requirements for electronic submittal of information to the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) Geotracker website. In September 2004, the SWRCB adopted regulations that require electronic submittal of information for all groundwater cleanup programs. For several years, responsible parties for cleanup of leaks from underground storage tanks (USTs) have been required to submit groundwater analytical data, surveyed locations of monitoring wells, and other data to the Geotracker database over the Internet. Beginning July 1, 2005, these same reporting requirements were added to Spills, Leaks, Investigations, and Cleanup (SLIC) sites. Beginning July 1, 2005, electronic submittal of a complete copy of all reports for all sites is required in Geotracker (in

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PDF format). Please visit the State Water Resources Control Board for more information on these requirements (http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/ust/electronic_submittal/report_rqmts.shtml).

PERJURY STATEMENT

All work plans, technical reports, or technical documents submitted to ACEH must be accompanied by a cover letter from the responsible party that states, at a minimum, the following: "I declare, under penalty of perjury, that the information and/or recommendations contained in the attached document or report is true and correct to the best of my knowledge." This letter must be signed by an officer or legally authorized representative of your company. Please include a cover letter satisfying these requirements with all future reports and technical documents submitted for this fuel leak case.

PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATION & CONCLUSIONS/RECOMMENDATIONS

The California Business and Professions Code (Sections 6735, 6835, and 7835.1) requires that work plans and technical or implementation reports containing geologic or engineering evaluations and/or judgments be performed under the direction of an appropriately registered or certified professional. For your submittal to be considered a valid technical report, you are to present site specific data, data interpretations, and recommendations prepared by an appropriately licensed professional and include the professional registration stamp, signature, and statement of professional certification. Please ensure all that all technical reports submitted for this fuel leak case meet this requirement.

UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK CLEANUP FUND

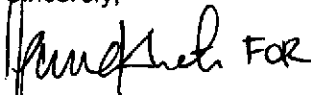
Please note that delays in investigation, later reports, or enforcement actions may result in your becoming ineligible to receive grant money from the state's Underground Storage Tank Cleanup Fund (Senate Bill 2004) to reimburse you for the cost of cleanup.

AGENCY OVERSIGHT

If it appears as though significant delays are occurring or reports are not submitted as requested, we will consider referring your case to the Regional Board or other appropriate agency, including the County District Attorney, for possible enforcement actions. California Health and Safety Code, Section 25299.76 authorizes enforcement including administrative action or monetary penalties of up to \$10,000 per day for each day of violation.

If you have any questions, please call Paresh Khatri at (510) 567-2478.

Sincerely,



Dennis Parfitt, PG
Senior Engineering Geologist
State Water Resources Control Board

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Enclosure: ACEH Electronic Report Upload (ftp) Instructions

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Alameda County Environmental Cleanup Oversight Programs (LOP and SLIC)	ISSUE DATE: July 5, 2005
	REVISION DATE: December 16, 2005
	PREVIOUS REVISIONS: October 31, 2005
SECTION: Miscellaneous Administrative Topics & Procedures	SUBJECT: Electronic Report Upload (ftp) Instructions

Effective **January 31, 2006**, the Alameda County Environmental Cleanup Oversight Programs (LOP and SLIC) require submission of all reports in electronic form to the county's ftp site. Paper copies of reports will no longer be accepted. The electronic copy replaces the paper copy and will be used for all public information requests, regulatory review, and compliance/enforcement activities.

REQUIREMENTS

- Entire report including cover letter must be submitted to the ftp site as a **single portable document format (PDF) with no password protection**. (Please do not submit reports as attachments to electronic mail.)
- It is **preferable** that reports be converted to PDF format from their original format, (e.g., Microsoft Word) rather than scanned.
- Signature pages and perjury statements **must** be included and have either original or electronic signature.
- **Do not password protect the document**. Once indexed and inserted into the correct electronic case file, the document will be secured in compliance with the County's current security standards and a password. **Documents with password protection will not be accepted.**
- Each page in the PDF document should be rotated in the direction that will make it easiest to read on a computer monitor.
- Reports must be named and saved using the following naming convention:
RO#_Report Name_Year-Month-Date (e.g., RO#5555_WorkPlan_2005-06-14)

Additional Recommendations

- A separate copy of the tables in the document should be submitted by e-mail to your Caseworker in **Excel** format. These are for use by assigned Caseworker only.

Submission Instructions

1) Obtain User Name and Password:

- a) Contact the Alameda County Environmental Health Department to obtain a User Name and Password to upload files to the ftp site.
 - i) Send an e-mail to dehloptoxic@acgov.org
or
 - ii) Send a fax on company letterhead to (510) 337-9335, to the attention of Alicia Lam-Finneke.
- b) In the subject line of your request, be sure to include "**ftp PASSWORD REQUEST**" and in the body of your request, include the **Contact Information, Site Addresses, and the Case Numbers (RO# available in Geotracker) you will be posting for.**

2) Upload Files to the ftp Site

- a) Using Internet Explorer (IE4+), go to <ftp://alcoftp1.acgov.org>
 - (i) Note: Netscape and Firefox browsers will not open the FTP site.
- b) Click on File, then on Login As.
- c) Enter your User Name and Password. (Note: Both are Case Sensitive.)
- d) Open "My Computer" on your computer and navigate to the file(s) you wish to upload to the ftp site.
- e) With both "My Computer" and the ftp site open in separate windows, drag and drop the file(s) from "My Computer" to the ftp window.

3) Send E-mail Notifications to the Environmental Cleanup Oversight Programs

- a) Send email to dehloptoxic@acgov.org notify us that you have placed a report on our ftp site.
- b) Copy your Caseworker on the e-mail. Your Caseworker's e-mail address is the entire first name then a period and entire last name at acgov.org. (e.g., firstname.lastname@acgov.org)
- c) The subject line of the e-mail must start with the RO# followed by **Report Upload**. (e.g., Subject: RO1234 Report Upload)