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Subject:

Former Sears Auto Center #1058A

2633 Telegraph Ave. Oakland, California Case I.D. # RO0002600

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 2005 and requests that semi-annual groundwater monitoring be performed in accordance with the California State Water Resources Control Board Resolution No. 2009-0042, which reduces the 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 May 11, 2009. This report also included results from a supplemental soil boring investigation, a site conceptual model, and a closure summary. As discussed in detail in the report, closure has been requested for this site based on the immobile nature of the hydrocarbons present, the limited and stable nature of hydrocarbons in both soil and groundwater, the very low concentrations of the hydrocarbon constituents benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, and xylenes which do not currently exceed regulatory criteria, and the significant vertical separation between shallow TPH-impacted groundwater and deeper aquifers where historical groundwater pumping has occurred.

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 provided in the May 11, 2009 report.

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

Respectfully submitted,

**URS CORPORATION** 

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