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# PHASE II SUBSURFACE INVESTIGATION

1240 Powell Street Emeryville, California

Project No. 4885 Wells Fargo RETECHS No. RMO7255273967

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Subject:

Phase II Subsurface Investigation

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Dear Mr. Rauch:

The following letter report describes the activities and results of the subsurface investigation performed by AEI Consultants at the above referenced property (Figure 1: Site Location Map). The investigation included the collection and analyses of soil and groundwater samples from a total of eight (8) shallow soil borings. The project was designed to assess whether a release of petroleum hydrocarbons had occurred at the property.

# I Site Description and Background

The subject property (hereinafter referred to as the "site" or "property" is located at 1240 Powell Street at the northwest corner of Powell Street and Vallejo Street in the City of Emeryville. The property is approximately 10,000 square feet in size and is currently improved with a two-story office building occupying approximately 60% of the property. The eastern portion of the property is improved with parking and driveway areas and landscaping.

AEI was retained in December 2001 to perform a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) on the property. The ESA revealed that the property was used as a gasoline service station from the late 1950s through 1974. Records reviewed at the Emeryville Building Department revealed that the service station was originally equipped with two 6,000-gallon fuel underground storage tanks (USTs), one 2,000-gallon UST, and one 550-gallon waste-oil UST. In 1969, one of the 6,000 USTs was reportedly replaced with a 10,000 gallon UST. Permits to demolish the station in 1974 indicated the removal of "all aboveground and below ground facilities." No records of any soil and/or groundwater sample analyses were found. Approximate locations of the former USTs and associated dispensers are shown on Figure 2.

An additional 4,000-gallon UST was associated with the current building, and was used to fuel delivery trucks. The Emeryville Fire Department issued a permit in 1991 for removal of the 4,000 gallon UST. No other documentation was available regarding the removal of this UST. The approximate location of this UST is shown on Figure 2.

Based on the former presence of numerous fuel USTs and associated dispensing systems and the lack of other records, it was concluded in the ESA that the property could have been impacted by petroleum hydrocarbons.

#### II Investigative Efforts

AEI performed the subsurface investigation at the property on February 7, 2002. A total of eight (8) soil borings (labeled SB-1 through SB-8) were advanced. The boring locations were chosen based on the locations of the former USTs and associated piping. The locations of the soil borings are shown on Figure 2.

The near surface soils encountered during the boring advancement generally consisted of clays with varying amounts of sands and gravels. Refer to Attachment A for detailed logs of each boring.

The site is located approximately 30 feet above mean sea level and about 3,000 east of the San Francisco Bay. The site is located on alluvial deposits from the Berkeley Hills. The local topography slopes moderately to the west, the direction toward which groundwater is expected to flow.

# Soil Sample Collection

The borings were advanced with a Geoprobe® direct-push drilling rig. Each boring was advanced to between 12 and 20 feet below ground surface (bgs), depending on where saturated soils were encountered. Soil samples were collected from each boring at approximately 5-feet intervals.

Fuel hydrocarbon odors and possible soil staining were observed in borings SB-1, SB-2, and SB-5. Field observations are noted on the boring logs (Attachment A). Soil samples were collected in 2" acrylic liners, from which a sample was cut at the selected depths. The soil samples were sealed with Teflon tape and plastic end caps, and placed in a cooler with wet ice to await transportation to the laboratory.

#### Groundwater Sample Collection

Groundwater was encountered at various depths, between 6 and 17 feet bgs during the advancement of all borings except for boring SB-7. A groundwater sample was collected either through the push rods or temporary PVC casing inserted into the borings. A drop tube equipped with a check valve was used to extract the water samples. Groundwater was collected into 40-ml VOA vials and I-liter amber bottles. The sample containers were capped so that no head space or air bubbles were visible within the containers, and then placed in a cooler with wet ice to await transportation to the laboratory.

Following sample collection and removal of all sampling equipment, each boring was backfilled with neat cement grout.

#### Laboratory Analysis

On February 7, 2002, the soil and groundwater samples were transported to McCampbell Analytical Inc. (DOHS Certification Number 1644) under chain of custody protocol for analyses.

A total of nine (9) soil samples and seven (7) groundwater samples were selected for analyses. Each selected sample was analyzed for total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPH) as gasoline by EPA method 5030 / 8015M, TPH as diesel by EPA method 3550 or 3510 / 8015M, and benzene, toluene, ethyl-benzene, and total xylenes (BTEX) and methyl tertiary butyl ether (MTBE) by EPA method 602 / 8020. One sample collected from nearest the former waste oil tank was also analyzed for total oil and grease (TOG) by EPA method 413.1, volatile organic compounds by EPA method 8260, and for the LUFT five metals (cadmium, chromium, lead, nickel, and zinc) by EPA methods 6010 / 2007, 239.2.

The remaining soil samples were placed on hold at the laboratory.

# III Findings

TPH as gasoline and TPH as diesel were detected in soil sample SB-1 8' at 47 mg/kg and 5.8 mg/kg, respectively. Hydrocarbons were not detected in any of the other soil samples. In addition, no concentrations of TOG or volatile organic compounds were detected in the sample for which they were analyzed. No anomalously high concentrations of metals were found.

Hydrocarbons were detected in four of the seven groundwater samples, with TPH as gasoline detected up to 1,400  $\mu$ g/l and TPH as diesel detected up to 1,400  $\mu$ g/l. Both benzene and MTBE were detected up to 5.7  $\mu$ g/l in the groundwater.

Results of the analytical testing are summarized in Tables 1 & 2. Laboratory analytical reports and chain of custody documents are presented in Appendix B. Due to the requested issue date of this report, laboratory QA/QC documents were not available, however these can be sent upon request once received by AEI.

#### IV Summary and Conclusions

This investigation was designed to assess whether a release of hydrocarbons had occurred as a result of historical underground storage and dispensing of fuel at the property. Sample analyses indicate that soil and groundwater beneath the site are impacted with petroleum hydrocarbons. Based on the lack of an identified off-site source, the release appears to have originated at the subject site.

Due to access limitations, samples could not be collected near the former dispenser islands or the former waste-oil tank. The possibility remains that impacted soil and/or groundwater exists beneath the current building in either or both of these locations.

Further investigation would be necessary to determine whether a health risk exists for building occupants and to determine the overall extent of the release and associated liability.

#### V Report Limitation

This report presents a summary of work completed by AEI Consultants. The completed work includes observations and descriptions of site conditions encountered. Where appropriate, it includes analytical results for samples taken during the course of the work. The number and location of samples are chosen to provide the required information, but it cannot be assumed that they are representative of areas not sampled. All conclusions and/or recommendations are based on these analyses and observations, and the governing regulations. Conclusions beyond those stated and reported herein should not be inferred from this document.

These services were performed in accordance with generally accepted practices, in the environmental engineering and construction field, which existed at the time and location of the work.

If you have any questions regarding our investigation, please do not hesitate to contact me at (925) 283-6000.

Sincerely,

Peter McIntyre Project Geologis

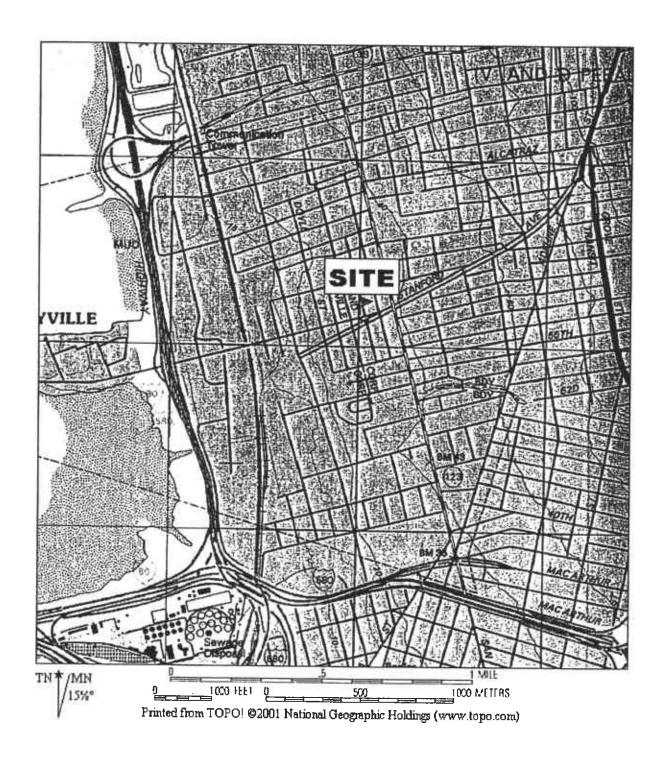
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Figures Tables

Attachment A: Soil Boring Logs

Attachment B: Sample Analytical Documentation

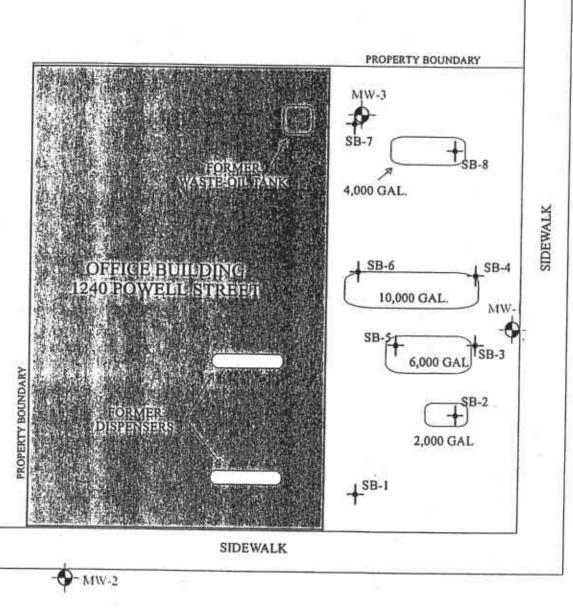


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# SITE LOCATION MAP

1240 POWELL STREET EMERYVILLE, CALIFORNIA

FIGURE 1 PROJECT No. 4885



POWELL STREET

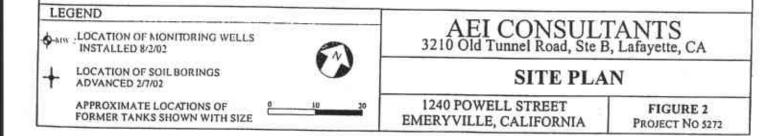


Table 1: Soil Sample Analytical Data

Sample ID	TPH as gasoline mg/kg	TPH as diesel mg/kg	MTBE mg/kg	Benzene mg/kg	Toluene mg/kg	Ethyl- benzene mg/kg	Xylenes mg/kg	TOG mg/kg	VOCs (8260) mg/kg
							,		
SB-1 8'	47	5.8	<0.5	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	-	-
SB-3 4'	<1.0	<1.0	<0.05	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	-	-
SB-4 8'	<1.0	<1.0	<0.05	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	•	-
SB-5 6'	<1.0	<1.0	<0.05	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	< 0.005	-	_
SB-6 8'	<1.0	<1.0	< 0.05	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	< 0.005	_	_
SB-7 8'	<1.0	<1.0	<0.05	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	-	_
SB-7 12'	<1.0	<1.0	<0.05	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	-	_
SB-7 15'	<1.0	<1.0	<0.05	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<50	ND
SB-8 10'	<1.0	<1.0	<0.05	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	_	
MDL	1.0	1.0	0.05	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.005	50	<0.005*

MDL = Method Detection Limit

ND = Not detected above method detection limit

Table 2 Supplement: LUFT Five Metals

Sample ID	Cadmium	Chromium	Lead	Nickel	Zinc
SB-7 12'	<0.5	26	6	40	41

All results in Table 2 Supplement in mg/kg

<sup>-=</sup> Sample not analyzed by this method

og/kg = micrograms per kilogram (ppb)

mg/kg = milligrams per kilogram (ppm)

<sup>\* =</sup> reporting limit varies by chemical, see Appendix B

Table 2: Groundwater Sample Analytical Results

Sample ID	TPH as gasoline µg/L	TPH as diesel μg/L	MTBE μg/L	Benzene μg/L	Toluene μg/L	Ethyl- benzene µg/L	Xylenes μg/L
SB-1 W	320	230	<5.0	<0.5	<0.5	5.2	3.3
SB-2 W	1,400	1,400	<5.0	5.7	3.0	3.3	4.0
SB-3 W	<50	<50	5.7	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5
SB-4 W	<50	<50	<5.0	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5
SB-5 W	71	200	<5.0	<0.5	1.5	<0.5	<0.5
SB-6 W	<50	<50	<5.0	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5
SB-8 W	<50	580	<5.0	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5
MDL	50	50	5.0	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5

MDL = Method Detection Limit

ND = Not detected above the Method Detection Limit (unless otherwise noted)

 $\mu g/L = micrograms per liter (ppb)$ 

mg/l. = milligrams per liter (ppm)

- = Sample not analyzed by this method

# ATTACHMENT A SOIL BORING LOGS

Project Name: WFB, EMERYVILLE

Log of Borehole: \$B-1

Client: WELLS FARGO

Location:

	USC	s		Sar	nple	Data			
Depth	Symbol	Label	Subsurface Description	Sample Label	Туре	Blow/ft	Recovery	Well Data	Remarks
0-	2222		Ground Surface						
2-			CLAY Sand and gravely clay, clasts up to 1 cm, orange / brown						No hydrocarbon (HC) odor
4 - - 6 -									
1			Color change to olive/green	-					
8-		i		SB-1 8'	SS				Strong odor, staining
10-		CL						•	Water at 10' after 10 min  Low soil recovery 8-12
'~									
ļ			Increasing plasticity		<u> </u>				
14-	<i>\\\\\\</i>			SB-1 14'	ss	<u> </u>		}	
	<i>\\\\\\</i>		Clast supported locally						
16-									HC odor
	<i>-{/////</i>		Clay with fine sand, plastic	SB-1 17'	SS	1			Saturated
18									
20		3							
1 20			End of Borehole						

Drill Date 2/7/02

Drill Method: DIRECT PUSH

Total Depth: 20

Depth to Water: 10.8 (static)

Reviewed by: EW

Logged by: PJM

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Project Name: WFB, EMERYVILLE

Log of Borehole: SB-2

Client: WELLS FARGO

Location:

	US	cs		Sa	mple	Data			
Depth	Symbol	Label	Subsurface Description	Sample Label	Type	Blow/ft	Recovery	Well Data	Remarks
0- 2- 4- 6- 8-		CL	Ground Surface  CLAY  Sand and gravely clay, clasts up to 1 cm, orange / brown  SAND  Fine to medium sand, fill material?					*	Very low soil recovery 4-8
10- 12- 14- 16- 18- 20-			End of Borehole						Diesel? odor Solls saturated

Drill Date 2/7/02

Drill Method: DIRECT PUSH

Total Depth: 12

Depth to Water: 5.2 (static)

Reviewed by: EW

Logged by: PJM

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Project Name: WFB, EMERYVILLE

Log of Borehole: \$B-3

Client: WELLS FARGO

Location:

Subsurface Description  Subsurface Description  Ground Surface SAND Well graded sand and gravels, minor clay  SB-3 4' SS No HC odor  CL CLAY Clay with well graded sand, moderately plastic  SP 16  SP 16  SP 16  SP Ind SP Ind Subsurface Description  SB-3 10' SS  Low recovery 12-16  Low recovery 12-16		US	cs		Sa	mple	Data	···	<u> </u>	
SAND Well graded sand and gravels, minor clay  SB-3.4' SS  No HC odor  Water level after sampling  CL CLAY Clay with well graded sand, moderately plastic  SB-3.10' SS  Low recovery 12-16  SAND Very fine to medium sand, few fines, saturated  End of Borehole	Depth	Symbol	Label		Sample	Туре	Blow/ft	Recovery	Well Data	Remarks
8- CL  CLAY Clay with well graded sand, moderately plastic  SB-3 10' SS  Low recovery 12-16  SP  SAND Very fine to medium sand, few fines, saturated  End of Borehole		S.C.S.C.S. S.C.S.C.S.S.	sw	SAND Well graded sand and gravels,						
8—CL CLAY Clay with well graded sand, moderately plastic  SB-3 10' SS  Low recovery 12-16  SAND Very fine to medium sand, few fines, saturated  End of Borehole  End of Borehole	4				SB-3 4'	SS				No HC odor
SP SAND Very fine to medium sand, few fines, saturated  End of Borehole  SB-3 10' SS  Low recovery 12-16			CL	Clay with well graded sand.						Water level after sampilng
SP SP Very fine to medium sand, few fines, saturated  End of Borehole	-			moderately plastic	SB-3 10'	SS				
fines, saturated  End of Borehole	14-		SP						<u> </u>	Low recovery 12-16
	_			fines, saturated						
<sup>4</sup> <sup>V</sup>	18- - 20-									

Drill Date 2/7/02

Drill Method: DIRECT PUSH

Total Depth: 16

Depth to Water: 5.75 (static)

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Logged by: PJM

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Project Name: WFB, EMERYVILLE

Log of Borehole: SB-4

Client: WELLS FARGO

Location:

	US	cs		Sa	mple	Data			
Depth	Symbol	Label	Subsurface Description	Sample	Туре	Blow/ft	Recovery	Well Data	Remarks
0-	77777		Ground Surface	_				<del> </del> _	
0		CL	CLAY Sandy and gravely clay  End of Borehole	SB-4 5'	SS			*	No HC odor  Soils saturated?  Slow water recharge
18-									
20-									

Drill Date 2/7/02

Drill Method: DIRECT PUSH

Total Depth: 12 Depth to Water: 10.5 Reviewed by: EW

Logged by: PJM

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Project Name: WFB, EMERYVILLE

Log of Borehole: SB-5

Client: WELLS FARGO

Location:

	US	cs		Sa	mple	Data			
Depth	Symbol	Label	Subsurface Description	Sample Label	Type	Blow/ft	Recovery	Well Data	Remarks
0-	7000	_	Ground Surface						
2-		CL	CLAY Sandy and gravely clay						
4-	,,,,,,		SAND	SB-5 4'	SS				No HC odar
6		SP	Fine to medium sand, clean						
				SB-5 6'	SS				HC odor?
8-			Sands with gravel and clay					X	Saturated
10-		sw	End of Borehole	-					
14-									
16-									·
-									
18-									
20									

Drill Date 2/7/02

Drill Method: DIRECT PUSH

Total Depth: 12 Depth to Water: 7 Reviewed by: EW

Logged by: PJM

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Project Name: WFB, EMERYVILLE

Log of Borehole: SB-6

Client: WELLS FARGO

Location:

	US				mple	Data	·	1	
	USI	<u>~</u>		Sa	II	Data	r	-	
Depth	Symbol	Label	Subsurface Description	Sample Label	Туре	Blow/ft	Recovery	Well Data	Remarks
0-	m		Ground Surface						
2 - 4			CLAY Sandy and gravely clay						
6		;	·	SB-6 6'	SS				No HC odor
8-		CL	Stiff clay, sand, gravel locally	SB-6 9'				•	Saturated
10-		:		OD-0 9	SS				
12-		:							Slow recharge
14-			Sandy / grayelly clay						
16-	<i>Y.I.I.I.I.</i>	,	End of Borehole						
18-	-	:							
20-									

Drill Date 2/7/02

Drill Method: DIRECT PUSH

Total Depth: 16 Depth to Water: 8 Reviewed by: EW

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Project Name: WFB, EMERYVILLE

Log of Borehole: SB-7

Client: WELLS FARGO

Location:

	US	cs		Sa	mple	Data			
Depth	Symbol	Label	Subsurface Description	Sample Label	Туре	Blow/ff	Recovery	Well Data	Remarks
2-			Ground Surface  CLAY  Stiff clay with minor sand and gravel						
4 – 6 –			Some gravel (<10%) Moderately plastic	SB-7 5'	SS				No HC odor
10-		CL	Stiff sandy clay	SB-7 8'	SS				No HC oror
12-				SB-7 12'	SS				Dark coloration, staining?
16-			Stiff gravelly, sandy clay  End of Borehole	SB-7 15'	SS				Dry
18- - 20-									

Drill Date 2/7/02

Drill Method: DIRECT PUSH

Total Depth: 16 Depth to Water: NA Reviewed by: EW

Logged by: PJM

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