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March 10, 2009

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Subject: SLIC Case RO0002924 and Geotracker Global ID T06019776161, 901 Jefferson Housing LLC, 901 Jefferson Street, Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Mr. Spivey:

Alameda County Environmental Health (ACEH) staff has reviewed the Spills, Leaks, Investigations, and Cleanups (SLIC) case file for the above referenced site including the recently submitted document entitled, "*Soil Vapor Sampling Report and Response to Technical Comments, 901 Jefferson Street, Oakland, California,*" dated February 19, 2009 (Report) and prepared on your behalf by Treadwell & Rollo Environmental and Geotechnical Consultants. The Report presents the results of soil vapor sampling at five locations in the northeastern corner of the site and presents responses to technical comments from our August 26, 2008 correspondence.

Benzene was detected in soil vapor at concentrations exceeding the Environmental Screening Level (San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board, November 2007) for vapor intrusion to indoor air for residential land use in three of the five soil vapor sampling locations. As discussed in technical comment 1, further evaluation of the potential for vapor intrusion to indoor air is required prior to considering the case for closure. We request that you conduct sub-slab sampling inside the building to evaluate the potential for vapor intrusion to indoor air. Please present plans for sub-slab sampling in the Work Plan requested below.

TECHNICAL COMMENTS

- Vapor Intrusion Risk.** Soil vapor samples were collected from five sampling locations in the northeastern corner of the site. All sampling locations were in the sidewalk outside the building. Benzene was detected in soil vapor in each of the five soil vapor sampling locations. The concentrations of benzene exceeded the Environmental Screening Level (San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board, November 2007) for vapor intrusion to indoor air for residential land use in three of the five sampling locations. A site-specific assessment of vapor intrusion risk presented in the Report used the Johnson & Ettinger model to estimate that the excess cancer risk from vapor intrusion was 2.2×10^{-07} . Based on these results, the Report recommended that no further action is necessary. However, it is possible that soil vapor concentrations beneath the residential units in the northeast corner of the building are higher than soil vapor concentrations beneath the sidewalk outside the building. The former UST was located in the northeast corner of the site within the building footprint. In addition, shallow subsurface conditions beneath the building are expected to be different than shallow subsurface conditions beneath the sidewalk. Due to the detection of benzene in soil vapor at concentrations exceeding ESLs for residential land use and the potential for soil vapor concentrations beneath the building to be higher than soil vapor

concentrations beneath the sidewalk, we request that you conduct sub-slab vapor sampling within the residential units in the northeastern portion of the site. Please present your proposal in the Work Plan requested below.

TECHNICAL REPORT REQUEST

Please submit technical reports to Alameda County Environmental Health (Attention: Jerry Wickham), according to the following schedule:

- **May 11, 2009** – Work Plan for Sub-Slab Vapor Sampling

These reports are 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 PDF format). Please visit the SWRCB website for more information on these requirements ([http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/ust/cleanup/electronic reporting](http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/ust/cleanup/electronic%20reporting)).

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.

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PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATION & CONCLUSIONS/RECOMMENDATIONS

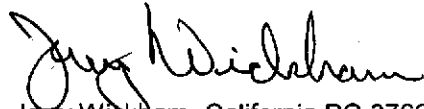
The California Business and Professions Code (Sections 6735, 6835, and 7835.1) requires that work plans and technical or implementation reports containing geologic or engineering evaluations and/or judgments be performed under the direction of an appropriately registered or certified professional. For 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.

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 me at (510) 567-6791 or send me an electronic mail message at jerry.wickham@acgov.org.

Sincerely,



Jerry Wickham, California PG 3766, CEG 1177, and CHG 297
Senior Hazardous Materials Specialist

Enclosure: ACEH Electronic Report Upload (ftp) Instructions

cc: Cherie McCaulou, San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board, 1515 Clay Street, Suite 1400, Oakland, CA 94612

Leroy Griffin, Oakland Fire Department, 250 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, Ste. 3341
Oakland, CA 94612-2032

Grover Buhr, Treadwell & Rollo, 501 14th Street, 3rd Floor, Oakland, CA 94612

Donna Drogos, ACEH
Jerry Wickham, ACEH
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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)