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October 11, 2010

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Hillsborough, CA 94010-6547

C&H Development Company
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Lafayette, CA 94549-3694

Subject: Fuel Leak Case No. RO0002971 and Geotracker Global ID T0619714590, Shell, 2301-2307 Lincoln Avenue, Alameda, CA 94502 – Subsurface Investigation Report

Dear Mr. Brown, C&H Development Company, and Allan A. and Beverly M. Sebanc:

Alameda County Environmental Health (ACEH) staff has reviewed the fuel leak case file for the above referenced site including the most recent document entitled, "*Subsurface Investigation Report*," dated August 27, 2010 (Report). The Report, which was prepared by Conestoga-Rovers & Associates (CRA) on behalf of Shell Oil Products, presents the results from soil and groundwater sampling in off-site boring B-6.

The site was also discussed during a meeting on October 7, 2010 between Jerry Wickham and Donna Drogos of ACEH, Denis Brown of Shell Oil Products, Peter Schaefer of CRA, Robert Schultz of AMEC Geomatrix, and Jake Torrens of AMEC Geomatrix. Based on our review of the case file and the October 7, 2010 meeting, we have the following technical comments. We request that you address the technical comments below, perform the proposed work, and send us the reports described below.

TECHNICAL COMMENTS

1. **Detailed Well Survey.** In order to identify potential receptors for the fuel hydrocarbon plume from your site, we request that you locate all water supply wells within a radius of 2,000 feet of the subject site. We recommend that you obtain well information from both Alameda County Public Works Agency and the State of California Department of Water Resources, at a minimum. Submittal of maps showing the location of all wells identified in your study, and the use of tables to report the data collected as part of your survey are required. Please provide a table that includes the well designation, location, total depth, diameter, screen interval, date of well installation, current status, historic use, and owner of the wells. In addition, please provide well logs and completion records for wells downgradient from the site that are potential receptors. Please present your results in the Work Plan requested below.
2. **Extent of Groundwater Contamination.** No further assessment of the extent of groundwater contamination is requested at this time. However, if the detailed well survey requested in technical comment 1 indicates that a water supply well may be a potential receptor for the site; further assessment of the extent of groundwater contamination may be requested.

3. **Potential for Vapor Intrusion.** Based on the results of soil vapor sampling to date, the residual contamination does not appear to pose a risk for vapor intrusion for current land use or to nearby residents. No further soil vapor sampling is requested at this time.
4. **Source Area Treatment.** Elevated concentrations of fuel hydrocarbons have been detected in soil, soil vapor, and groundwater within the area of sampling locations EB-1, SVP-5, and MW-4. In order to address the hot spot in the area of these sampling locations and move the case towards case closure, source area treatment was discussed during the October 7, 2010 meeting. We request that you submit the Work Plan requested below for interim remediation in this area.
5. **Lead in Shallow Soil.** Lead was detected in shallow soil (2.0 feet bgs) at a concentration of 550 milligrams per kilogram at sampling location EB-10, which is adjacent to the former dispensers. The concentration of lead at this location exceeds updated screening levels (September 23, 2010) for total exposure (inhalation, ingestion, and dermal absorption) developed by the California Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment. We request that you submit plans to conduct further assessment or a soil removal action in this area to address the lead in shallow soil.
6. **Groundwater Monitoring.** Groundwater monitoring may be suspended at this time.

TECHNICAL REPORT REQUEST

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

- **December 10, 2010** – Work Plan

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

Attachment: Responsible Party(ies) Legal Requirements/Obligations

Enclosure: ACEH Electronic Report Upload (ftp) Instructions

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cc: Leroy Griffin, Oakland Fire Department, 250 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, Ste. 3341, Oakland, CA 94612-2032 2032 (*Sent via E-mail to: lgriffin@oaklandnet.com*)

Peter Schaefer, Conestoga-Rovers & Associates, 5900 Hollis Street, Suite A
Emeryville, CA 94608 (*Sent via E-mail to: pschaefer@croworld.com*)

Jake Torrens, Geomatrix, 2101 Webster Street, 12th Floor, Oakland, CA 94612-3066 (*Sent via E-mail to: jtorrens@geomatrix.com*)

Donna Drogos, ACEH (*Sent via E-mail to: donna.drogos@acgov.org*)
Jerry Wickham, ACEH
Geotracker, File

Attachment 1
Responsible Party(ies) Legal Requirements/Obligations

REPORT REQUESTS

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/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.

Alameda County Environmental Cleanup Oversight Programs (LOP and SLIC)	ISSUE DATE: July 5, 2005
	REVISION DATE: July 8, 2010
	PREVIOUS REVISIONS: December 16, 2005, October 31, 2005
SECTION: Miscellaneous Administrative Topics & Procedures	SUBJECT: Electronic Report Upload (ftp) Instructions

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 Teena Le Khan.
 - 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 Page on upper right side of browser, and then scroll down to Open FTP Site in Windows Explorer.
 - 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 @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) If site is a new case without an RO#, use the street address instead.
 - d) If your document meets the above requirements and you follow the submission instructions, you will receive a notification by email indicating that your document was successfully uploaded to the ftp site.