ALAMEDA COUNTY **HEALTH CARE SERVICES**



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October 7, 2015

NOTICE OF RESPONSIBILITY

Site Name & Address:

HORTON STREET UST 5679 HORTON STREET EMERYVILLE, CA 94608 Local ID:

RO0003185

Related ID: **RWQCB ID:** NA

NA

Global ID:

T10000007323

Responsible Party:

CITY OF EMERYVILLE **ATTN: NANCY HUMPHREY 1333 PARK AVENUE EMERYVILLE, CA 94608**

Date First Reported:

8/17/2015

Substance:

12034 Diesel fuel oil & additives (Nos. 1-D,

2-D, 2-4)

Funding for Oversight: LOPS - LOP State Fund

Multiple RPs?: NO

Pursuant to sections 25297.1 and 25297.15 of the Health and Safety Code, you are hereby notified that the above site has been placed in the Local Oversight Program and the individual(s) or entity(ies) shown above, or on the attached list, has (have) been identified as the party(les) responsible for investigation and cleanup of the above site. Section 25297.15 further requires the primary or active Responsible Party to notify all current record owners of fee title before the local agency considers cleanup or site closure proposals or issues a closure letter. For purposes of implementing section 25297.15, this agency has identified CITY OF EMERYVILLE as the primary or active Responsible Party. It is the responsibility of the primary or active Responsible Party to submit a letter to this agency, within 20 calendar days of receipt of this notice that identifies all current record owners of fee title. It is also the responsibility of the primary or active Responsible Party to certify to the local agency that the required notifications have been made at the time a cleanup or site closure proposal is made or before the local agency makes a determination that no further action is required. If property ownership changes in the future, you must notify this local agency within 20 calendar days from when you are informed of the change.

Any action or inaction by this local agency associated with corrective action, including responsible party identification, is subject to petition to the State Water Resources Control Board. Petitions must be filed within 30 days from the date of the action/inaction. To obtain petition procedures, please FAX your request to the State Water Board at (916) 341-5808 or telephone (916) 341-5752.

Pursuant to section 25296.10(c)(6) of the Health and Safety Code, a responsible party may request the designation of an administering agency when required to conduct corrective action. Please contact this office for further information about the designation process.

Please contact your caseworker MARK DETTERMAN at this office at (510) 567-6876 if you have questions regarding your site.

RONALD BROWDER, Acting Director Contract Project Director

Action:

Add ADD

Reason:

Date:

ALAMEDA COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH LUFT LOCAL OVERSIGHT PROGRAM

ATTACHMENT A - RESPONSIBLE PARTIES DATA SHEET

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All Responsible Parties

RP has been named a Primary RP – CITY OF EMERYVILLE
ATTN: NANCY HUMPHREY
1333 PARK AVENUE | EMERYVILLE, CA 94608 | (510) 596-4380

Responsible Party Identification Background

Alameda County Environmental Health (ACEH) names a "Responsible Party," as defined under 23 C.C.R Sec. 2720. Section 2720 defines a responsible party 4 ways. An RP can be:

- "Any person who owns or operates an underground storage tank used for the storage of any hazardous substance."
- 2. "In the case of any underground storage tank no longer in use, any person who owned or operated the underground storage tank immediately before the discontinuation of its use."
- 3. "Any owner of property where an unauthorized release of a hazardous substance from an underground storage tank has occurred."
- 4. "Any person who had or has control over an underground storage tank at the time of or following an unauthorized release of a hazardous substance."

Existence of Unauthorized Release

On May 5, 2015, one underground storage tank (UST) was discovered by puncturing during offsite drilling for an environmental assessment for an adjacent site. On June 17, 2015, one approximately 1,000-gallon UST and associated piping was removed from the site. The UST was reported to have been intact and in good condition, except for several holes in the top and bottom. Groundwater was not encountered in the excavation. The soil sample collected during drilling on May 5, 2015, at a depth of 6.5 to 9.0 feet below surface grade (bgs) documented up to 15,900 milligrams per kilogram (mg/kg) Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons as gasoline (TPHg), 731,000 mg/kg TPH as diesel (TPHd), <40,000 mg/kg TPH as motor oil (TPHmo), 72.9 mg/kg ethylbenzene, and 1,000 mg/kg naphthalene. After removal and overexcavation of the UST, sidewall samples documented concentrations up to 5.70 mg/kg TPHg, 4,440 mg/kg TPHd, 534 mg/kg TPHmo, and 5.42 mg/kg naphthalene. These data indicate that an unauthorized release has occurred at the site.

Responsible Party Identification

The UST is in the public right-of-way associated with Horton Street. The property was formerly a part of the City of Emeryville corporation yard between 1999 and 2012. The City of Emeryville is the current property owner associated with the UST. The City of Emeryville is a responsible party for the site because it owned an UST used for the storage of a hazardous substance (Definition 1), owned the property associated with an unauthorized release (Definition 3), and had control of a UST at the time of or following an unauthorized release of a hazardous substance (Definition 4).